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Cramerton, NC 28032

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VETERANS MEMORIAL

The Town's Beautification Committee is currently collecting information on the construction of a Veterans Memorial in Cramerton. Veterans are being encouraged to assist in the design of the memorial. If you are interested in participating in this process, please contact Town Hall at 704-824-4337.

CRAMERTON FOOD BANK

Monetary donations can be made to the Cramerton Ministerial Association and mailed to Life Church, 501 Cramer Mtn. Road, Cramerton, NC 28032. Canned goods, dry goods and canned meat may be dropped off at the C.B. Huss Rec Center between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Fridays or from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturdays. The Cramerton Fire Dept. has a drop off area. Food donations may also be dropped off at Riverside Baptist Church or First Baptist Church. No perishable foods can be accepted or out of date items. Please contact Reverend Lefler at 704-824-3182 if you know of someone needing assistance.

Town Meetings Schedule:
Board of Commissioners-
Regular Meeting Board of
Commissioners, 7:00 p.m.,
February 4th, 2014

February 12th, Retreat
Meeting, Gaston College
East Campus, 8:30 a.m. to
5:30 p.m.

Workshop Meeting, 7:00
p.m., February 20th, 2014

Planning & Zoning Board -
7:00 p.m., February 18th,
2014

Parks & Recreation
Committee - 7:00 p.m.,
February 3rd, 2014

Beautification Committee -
5:30 p.m., February 3rd,
2014

UPCOMING EVENTS –

- **Rollout Recycling – February 5th to 7th and February 19th to 21st.**
- **Cramerton Bunch – February 17th at Catfish Cove at 5:00 p.m.**
- **The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board currently has a vacancy. An application form can be found at www.cramerton.org or you can contact Town Hall at 704-824-4337 or Parks and Rec at 704-824-4231.**
- **The Centennial Celebration Committee is seeking members to begin planning the 100th Anniversary of Cramerton. Contact Town Hall at 704-824-4337 for more information.**
- **Easter Egg Hunt – Saturday, April 12th, at 10:00 a.m., 4 age groups, over 3,000 eggs to find with prize eggs in each group. Event to be held at Cramerton Middle School.**
- **Town Hall will be closed in observance of Good Friday on April 18th.**

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(NOTE: All Meetings at 7:00 p.m. Unless Otherwise Stated)

February 12th, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm at Gaston College East Campus: One day Retreat Meeting with Board of Commissioners

March 4th, Regular Meeting, Board of Commissioners

March 7th: Department Head Budgets Due to Manager and Finance Director

March 17th to 21st, Manager and Finance Director conducts meetings with individual Department Heads

April 1st, Regular Meeting, Board of Commissioners

April 10th, Special Budget Workshop with Board of Commissioners

April 17th, Regular Workshop with Board of Commissioners

April 24th, Special Budget Workshop with Board of Commissioners

May 6th, Regular Board Meeting (Presentation of Balanced Budget)

May 8th, 13th, 15th, 20th, 27th, and 29th, can be used for Special Board Workshop Meetings (IF NEEDED)

May 22nd, Regular Board Workshop Meeting

June 3rd, Public Hearing for FY 2015 Budget and Possible Adoption

June 5th, Special Budget Meeting (If Needed)

June 26th, Regular Board Workshop Meeting

(Adoption of FY 2014 Budget Amendments and FY 2015 Adoption if Needed)

July 1, 2014 Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting (Possible Cancellation).

2014 CITIZENS ACADEMY POSTPONED

Instead of starting in February, the Town has postponed the second Academy until the fall. The Town is still accepting applications for the next academy.

STORMWATER TIPS

Does your family own a dog? Do you know other people with a dog? What do you think happens to all of the dog waste our pets leave behind? Right... down the storm drain and into the water! When pet waste is improperly disposed of, it can be picked up by stormwater runoff and washed into storm drains or nearby waterbodies. Since storm drains do not connect to treatment facilities, untreated animal feces often end up in rivers, lakes and streams, causing significant water pollution. Decaying pet waste consumes oxygen and sometimes releases ammonia. Low oxygen levels and ammonia can damage the health of fish and other aquatic life. Pet waste carries bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can threaten the health of humans and wildlife. Pet waste also contains nutrients that promote weed and algae growth (eutrophication). Cloudy and green, Eutrophic water makes swimming and recreation unappealing or even unhealthy. Don't worry! Nobody has to give up his or her pooch! Pet owners can improve water quality by picking up after their pets and throwing their pet's waste into a trashcan.

GOAT ISLAND PARK PHASE II

A presentation of this project can be found on the Town's website under Parks and Rec at www.cramerton.org.



TWO RIVERS UTILITIES

If you see a water leak near your meter, call TRU first! Water leaks on the Utility side are TRU's responsibility, and they repair them at no cost to the customer. You can reach TRU at (704) 866-6843 24 hours a day. They have on-call staff that work nights and weekends.

If you have any issue dealing with water or sewer, meter accuracy, billing, or any other questions, Two Rivers can be reached at (704)866-6716.

BOOT CAMPS BY ABOUT FACE

BOOT CAMPS ARE NOW BEING OFFERED MONDAY-FRIDAYS IN THE COMMUNITY CENTER. CLASS TIMES ARE 4AM, 5AM, 6AM, 8AM, 8:30AM, 6PM, AND 7PM. CLASSES ARE BEING TAUGHT BY ABOUT FACE BOOT CAMP INSTRUCTORS.

UPCOMING EVENTS:



**EASTER EGG HUNT
SATURDAY, APRIL 12,
2014
(10:00 A.M.)
CRAMERTON MIDDLE
SCHOOL**

4 AGE GROUPS, OVER 3,000 EGGS TO FIND, PRIZE EGGS IN EACH GROUP, MONEY EGGS, AND A SPECIAL APPEARANCE FROM THE EASTER BUNNY.

FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT AND PRIZES WILL BE AVAILABLE. EVENT WILL BE CO-SPONSORED WITH LIFE CHURCH AND CRAMERTON FREE WILL BAPTIST.

CLASSES AND EVENTS

- **Dance Out: Wednesday's 6 to 7 p.m.**
- **Zumba: Thursday's 6 to 7 p.m.**
- **For More information:
www.queencydanceout.com**
- **GOAT ISLAND AND TOWN CENTER:
Amphitheater and Shelter Rentals:
Available for parties, family reunions,
concerts, movies, and weddings or
receptions. Call for pricing or visit the
Town's website at www.cramerton.org.**

CRAMERTON PARKS AND RECREATION EVENTS 704-824-4231

Director's Message:

In the next few months you will see work beginning on Goat Island Park Phase II. This project includes a pedestrian bridge from the Island to Town Center, dog park, loop trail, outdoor ping pong tables and cornhole boards, and a 2 to 5 year old playground. There may be some park closures at Goat Island and Town Center due to the construction. We will post the closures as soon as we receive our action plan from the contractor.

Spring Registrations begins February 1, 2014. Listed below you will see a complete list of activities and ages being accepted.

As most of you are aware our youth basketball/cheer programs are in full swing. If you get a chance drop by and watch one of the teams participate. We have over 350 participants ranging in ages 3 to 15 playing Monday-Friday (6:00 to 9:00 p.m.) and Saturdays (8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.). Our basketball/cheer season will wrap up near the end of the month.

SPRING REGISTRATION

FEBRUARY 1 – MARCH 1, 2014

REGISTRATION FORMS CAN BE PICKED UP AT RECREATION OFFICE OR PRINTED ONLINE AT <http://cramerton.org/residents/town-forms-downloads/>. IF YOU PRINT ONLINE MAKE SURE YOU PRINT AND SIGN BOTH FORMS (Registration and Code of Conduct)

REGISTRATION FORMS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT PAYMENT
SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE, CALL FOR DETAILS

BASEBALL SIGN UPS:

AGES 4-12 (AGE CUT OFF DATE May 1, 2014)

4 to 6	T-BALL
6 to 8	MACHINE PITCH
9 to 10	MINOR LEAGUE
11 to 12	LITTLE LEAGUE
13 to 14	SR LEAGUE

GIRLS SOFTBALL SIGN-UPS

AGES 6 to 12 (8-UNDER, 10-UNDER, AND 12-UNDER)

GIRLS VOLLEYBALL SIGNUPS

AGES: 9 to 15 AGE GROUPS ARE 9 to 11 AND 12 to 15

SOCCER SIGN-UPS

AGES 3 to 6 AGE GROUPS (3 to 4), (U6) Saturday Only Leagues

Sign up early. Teams fill up quickly

****IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN SPONSORING A CHILD TO PARTICIPATE, PLEASE CALL FOR DETAILS. EVERY CHILD IN CRAMERTON WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY.**

BULK ITEM, APPLIANCE AND YARD WASTE COLLECTION

The Public Works Department collects discarded household items and yard waste on Mondays and Tuesdays. Yard waste is collected on Wednesdays and Thursdays. You should place these items at curbside for collection by 7:00 a.m. on Mondays. Please do not mix these items together or put in Waste Management cans. Please do not mix logs over 6 inches round in any brush piles, cut limbs 4 to 6 feet long and place parallel to roadside to ensure the crew will pick them up. All hedge clippings, pine needles, pampas grass and leaves must be bagged for weekly pickup. If you have questions, please call Rodney Baker, Public Works Director, at 704.718.8006. If any citizen has any recycling issues that include tires, computer equipment, batteries, antifreeze or motor oil please contact Gaston County Recycling Center at 704-922-7729.

VACUUM LEAF COLLECTION ENDS JANUARY 31ST

If you would like for your leaves to be collected on a weekly basis, please place bagged leaves behind the curb on Monday mornings for collection. Do not mix limbs or other debris with the leaves. If you have any questions, please contact Town Hall at 704-824-4337.

SOUTH FORK VILLAGE UPDATE
Construction continues on the South Fork Village on Wilkinson Boulevard. Further information will be in next month's newsletter.



C.C. DAWSON BRIDGE PROJECT

A grand opening celebration will be held at the time the C.C. Dawson Bridge is opened. Further information will be forthcoming in the newsletter. Bridge completion is scheduled for April 2014.