



Lake Park Villager

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GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

Village government meetings and elections are held at the Community Center and are open to the public.

- Apr 8** 7:00 PM Council Meeting
- Apr 18** Good Friday - Village Office Closed
- Apr 15** 7:00 PM Planning Board Meeting
- Apr 17** 6:30 PM Economic Development Commission
- Apr 28** 6:30 PM Parks & Recreation Commission
- Apr 29** 7:00 PM Annual Village Budget Meeting

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN DAWN TO DUSK YEAR ROUND

LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS LIMIT USE TO 1 HOUR – ALL USERS
PAUL WOLFCALE RECREATION COMPLEX

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
MAR 27 - 7:30 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK HOA BOARD MEETING ALL HOMEOWNERS WELCOME
APR 1 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK SINGLES AGES 45+
APR 3 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

FUN FRIDAY BRUNCH MARGARET PHILLIPS 882-9006
APR 4– 10:00 AM, APR 25 LUNCH AT NOON CREATIONS CAFE

CENTRAL ACADEMY AT LAKE PARK
APR 4 – 6:00 TO 10:00 PM HIGH SCHOOL PROM
APR 18– APR 27 GOOD FRIDAY & EASTER VACATION

ANNUAL KITE FESTIVAL SPONSORED BY LAKE PARK HOA
APR 5 - 10:00 TO 2:00 PM ♦ FREE KITES & CRAFTS ♦ FOUNDERS PARK

PIRANHAS SWIM TEAM REGISTRATION
APR 6 – 4:00 TO 7:00 PM WWW.LAKEPARKSWIMTEAM.COM
APR 24 – 6:30 TO 8:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

SAGES LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
APR 7 – 1:00 PM CARD GAMES 882-6906
APR 11 – 11:30 AM LUNCH MEETING @ JOHNNY K'S 882-2005
APR 21 – 11:15 AM LUNCH & CARD GAMES 882-6906

VILLAGER NEWSLETTER IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY APR 22
APR 11 ITEMS DEADLINE E-MAIL OR PHONE ITEMS TO SANDY COUGHLIN

GARDEN CLUB MEETING LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER
APR 21–7:00 PM EXECUTIVE CHEF: PREPARING GARDEN VEGGIES

GIRLS ON THE RUN 5K RACE TOWN CENTER & VILLAGE STREETS
APR 26– 8:00 AM WWW.GIRLSONTHERUNUNIONCOUNTY.ORG

Cart & Bin Removal Mar 27

ALL COVENANT WASTE ROLLING CARTS AND RECYCLE BINS MUST BE OUT TO CURB BY 7 AM THURSDAY MARCH 27. That means, every cart and bin, empty or full, so all Covenant equipment can be removed from Lake Park before the new WastePro equipment arrives the next morning.

Trash Control Inc. will remove waste items in the carts and bins on their last Thursday of service, March 27. When the Covenant carts and recycle bins are emptied, residents must LEAVE THE EMPTIES AT THE CURB! On March 27 and 28, GBUSA is expected to remove all emptied carts and bins. Both waste service companies, TCI and GBUSA, may be in the village on Thursday, March 27.

If your household will be away that day, please arrange with a neighbor to have your containers at the curb for you. All Covenant carts and bins are property of GBUSA and must be easily available to their crew so they can pick up from everyone that one day. If any Covenant rolling carts or recycle bins are left behind, leave them at the curb! Pickup will be arranged even if GBUSA is delayed. WastePro will deliver anyway.

Waste Pro Arrives Mar 28-29

Lake Park's new waste service company will arrive on Friday, March 28 and Saturday March 29 when Waste Pro will deliver one new rolling cart and one recycle bin to all single-family residences and town homes. Condominium residents will receive a new recycle bin in their parking area. All new carts and bins will bear the Waste Pro logo on the side. The customer hotline phone number will be on the cart lid. Complete information packets will be included with each delivery.

The new 96-gallon carts are built to last and to meet the needs of all single home families. To promote urgent environment preservation, and to support reduce, reuse and recycle habits, the Village is no longer providing additional carts to any single family dwelling. Waste Pro may bill a resident directly if an additional cart or bin is unavoidable. Waste Pro's customer hotline is 704-821-7578 for any service concern.

Waste Pro crews will be on hand both days to deliver carts, bins and information packets and to answer questions of all residents who may wish to discuss features of the service with them.

Lake Park Village Government Call List

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Deputy Leslie Brett & Deputy Richard Haywood

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591

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Council Changes

Mayor Kendall Spence praised the cooperative spirit among the Council and Village Staff that enhanced his efforts during his years on Council and especially the last five years as Mayor. Council members thanked Kendall for his dedication and achievements and presented him with a commemorative plaque. Kendall's March 31 resignation was prompted by his pending move from Lake Park and a job promotion to a new territory.

Council elected David Cleveland to succeed Kendall Spence as Mayor and Sandy Coughlin to succeed David Cleveland as Mayor Pro Tem effective April 1.

Council Vacancy

Recent changes (above) have created an opening on Council. Are you a registered voter living in Lake Park with an interest in this role? Interested residents may apply; just present a brief letter to the Village Clerk by noon April 4 and attend the April 8 Council meeting.

Village Pool Membership

Rates increased slightly, only \$1 (seniors over 75) or up to \$10 (couples/families). Get 5 free guest passes with any season pass purchased before noon on Saturday May 3. See attached application for details.

Security Report

False alarms increased again in February with violations on Hoover, Sages, Mimosa, Olson, Creft, Ruth, and Conifer. Specific addresses and property owner names are provided to Council every month. Any business or residential property that utilizes an alarm system is urged to manage and operate it so as to prevent false alarms which pull our officers away from investigations and patrols, or requires back up officers to leave their duties in other county areas when our deputies are off duty.

Swim Team News

The Piranhas start at the top of their league this summer and are registering returning participants and new swimmers Sunday April 6 and Thursday April 24. Watch for their flyer or visit www.lakeparkswimteam.com. The booster club will offer hot dogs, drinks and chips at the April 5 Kite Festival to raise funds for team expenses.

Fishing Guidelines

Get your annual \$2 Lake Park fishing permit at the Community Center weekdays 9am – 12 noon with the list of authorized ponds. Adults also need a NC license from www.ncwildlife.org/Licensing/HuntingFishing.

Veterans Pond Park Flag

Flying our nation's flag to honor our veterans will soon be a reality in the park named for them thanks to an idea presented by Ashley and Shannon Dance. Garden Club will install a flag and pole, SAGES is raising funds for a park bench and the Village will add a park bench.

EDC: Economic Development

♦ **Creations Café**, opened March 15 at 6120 Creft Circle (Town Center) for breakfast and lunch. Open every day, 6am to 4pm, young chef/owner Adam Bryant serves creative American specialties. Mary Silvestri and Dina Lee assist customers ordering to eat inside, on the front patio or with orders 'to go'. Find the Café on facebook, call ahead (704) 628-0580 and visit in person.

♦ **Prism Properties Management** is sponsoring a children's Spring Coloring Contest in the PPM newsletter. Catch it in your mailbox tube or pick up one at the 3804 Meeting Street office to enter before the April 11 deadline. Entries will be displayed in PPM's windows and winners, chosen by popular vote, will be announced April 19.

P&RC: Parks & Recreation

♦ **Russell Park Pond Restoration** is removing bottom silt to lessen the chemical treatments necessary to control algae and rampant plant growth in the water. Fish will be relocated to other village ponds before draining. Removed silt will be temporarily placed on the southwest bank to dry before hauling away, then the banks will be reseeded or sodded as needed. Water flow will be restored by April 15.

♦ **Faith United Methodist Church** is planning to clear the remaining gravel and replant the area of the existing but eroded and seldom used driveway on the north side of the church property. Village Council agreed to add a standard road curb at the foot of the old driveway before FUMC begins replanting.