



# 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.

- Oct 12** Village Office Closed - Columbus Day
- Oct 13** 7:00 PM Village Council Meeting
- Oct 20** 7:00 PM Planning Board Meeting
- Oct 15** 6:30 PM Economic Development Commission
- Oct 26** 6:30 PM Parks & Recreation Commission

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS** OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

**LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS** LIMIT USE TO 1 HOUR – ALL USERS

**LAKE PARK SINGLES** AGES 45+  
OCT 1 – 7:00 PM LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

**Music & Food** SPONSORED BY EDC  
OCT 3 – 11 AM – 1 PM FOOD TRUCKS AT TOWN CENTER

**LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION EVENTS**  
OCT 3 – 7 AM – 12N FALL YARD SALES RESIDENTS FRONT YARDS  
OCT 5 – 7 PM BOARD MEETING LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER  
OCT 16 (RAIN: 10/17) – DUSK “CASPER” MOVIE TOWN CENTER PARK  
OCT 17 – 10 AM – 5 PM FALL FESTIVAL TOWN CENTER PARK

**SAGES EVENTS** LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER  
OCT 5 – 1:00 PM CARD GAMES 882-6906  
OCT 9 – 5:00 PM MAYFAIR RESTAURANT, MONROE NC 882-2005  
OCT 19 – 1:15 AM LUNCH & CARD GAMES 882-6906

**BULK ITEMS MONTHLY PICKUP DAY** ONE PICKUP DAY PER MONTH  
OCT 8 – 7:00 AM NEVER CURB BULK ITEMS ANY OTHER WEEK!

**CENTRAL ACADEMY & CHURCH EVENTS**  
OCT 10 – 11AM – 2PM LAKE PARK LIVE! TOWN CENTER PARK  
OCT 30 - 11AM – 6PM 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL BBQ CENTRAL ACADEMY

**LAKE PARK BOOK CLUB** 516-0445  
OCT 15 – 7:00 PM LAKEPARKREADERS@GMAIL.COM

**VILLAGER NEWSLETTER** IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY OCT 27  
OCT 16 NEWS DEADLINE E-MAIL OR PHONE ITEMS TO SANDY COUGHLIN

**CANDIDATES FORUM** LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS, MODERATING  
OCT 19 – 7:00 PM CENTRAL ACADEMY AT LAKE PARK

**GARDEN CLUB** FALL WREATH MAKING /JOANN’S FLOWERS & GIFTS  
OCT 19 – 7:00 PM INFO: 882-8259 LAKE PARK COMMUNITY CENTER

## Outdoor Music, Food & More

Clear the calendar for October Saturdays and enjoy Town Center Park events!

**Music & Food Oct 3:** On Fall Yard Sale Day, the EDC has a food truck or two and music in Town Center Park till 1pm for yard sale shoppers and residents to relax, enjoy, and learn of business, church and school opportunities here. HOA advertises the yard sales with banners and newspaper.

**Lake Park Live! Oct 10:** Central Academy presents music, art and activities at Town Center Park, 11am-2pm. This is the 2nd year CALP has coordinated local vendors, artisans and musicians for residents to enjoy.

**25<sup>th</sup> Lake Park Fall Festival Oct 17:** HOA’s biggest event of the year has rides, games, vendors, food, crafts, and professional services. “Casper”, the friendly ghost movie is in Town Center Park at dusk Fri. Oct. 16. **CALP 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual BBQ Oct 30:** sponsored by CALP Booster Club sells BBQ dinner by the plate 11am – 6pm.

## Voter Registration ‘til Oct 9

All residents aged 18 and over must be registered to vote in November. 2 candidates are running for Mayor and 6 for 4 Council seats. A ballot referendum offers whether or not to allow any local restaurant to sell malt beverages or wine. Register on line or at the Union County Board of Elections in Monroe NC. Forms are available at the Lake Park village office. Lake Park polls: Community Center/Town Hall Nov 3.

## Candidates Forum 7p Oct 22

Hear Lake Park’s interested candidates present their views at Central Park Academy.

## New Admin Assistant

Based upon her experience and availability, resident Angela Figiel’s application was selected from 35 respondents to the Enquirer Journal advertisement for a part time office assistant. The new hire supports Village Administrator and Clerk, Cheri Clark, six hours per week. Council requires passing the NC Ethics training course within 6 months as a condition of employment.

## Council Appointments Sep 8

Residents Rob Bowlin and Heather Rodney are appointed to 3-year volunteer terms on the Lake Park



## Lake Park Village Government Call List

Website: [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov)

### David Cleveland - Mayor

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### Cheryl Bennett, Finance Officer

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### Ken Swain, Village Attorney

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### Deputy Leslie Brett & Deputy Dana Rucker

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591

[officer@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:officer@lakeparknc.gov)

## EDC: Economic Development

♦ **Carlini CPA** is the newest business in the Town Center. Accounting and Tax service and counsel are Ms. Carlini's specialty to individual and business clients.

♦ **Sperry Van Ness/Percival Partners** advisor Jamey Cox met with the EDC August 20. SVN manages the Town Center business property and seeks new businesses as spaces become available. Mr. Cox indicated that the Town Center owners are interested in reaching full tenant capacity and that the rents are competitive for our area. Any business interested in relocating to Town Center, or anyone knowing of a prospective tenant may contact [Jamey.Cox@svn.com](mailto:Jamey.Cox@svn.com) for leasing details.

## P&RC: Parks & Recreation

♦ **Assessment Tour:** Commissioners Ashley Dance, Wil Ortiz, Councilman Fabian Szarko and Mayor David Cleveland met for a tour inspection to prepare for establishing work priorities for 2015-2016. They inspected walks, trees and plants in all the public areas, parks and ponds.

♦ **Entrance Trees:** Eight trees leaning toward Unionville Indian Trail Road, at the woods' edge on Lake Park Road, were removed by Union Power to open the approach to that intersection, making it safer and more visible. Union Power will also grind the stumps, grade and seed this area this fall.

♦ **Foster Lake & Ponds** representative, Bryan Wallace, met with the P&RC August 24 to discuss aerators and fountains for pond oxygenation, and other methods of improving pond condition such as grass and plant bank maintenance and limiting fertilization.

♦ **Swim Specialties** will repair and resurface all 3 larger pool areas and re-space the steps in the adult pool. Work is expected to commence this fall to be ready for next pool season.

Planning Board and Board of Adjustments. Ms Rodney is a new resident with a B.A. in municipal planning. Mr Bowlin, is a business owner (Quantum Security) and former Town Center tenant. Mark Phillips reported that the boards expect to review Lake Park's Unified Development Ordinance for compliance with the new North Carolina House Bill 201.

## Stormwater Repair

Bid packages were sent to six contractors for the Hoover Street channel restoration. Council will review responding bids and recommendations at the Oct 13 meeting. \$22,500 of stormwater funds were allocated for other repair or replacement needs including junction box and sink hole damage on public drainage areas.

## Boy Scout Troop #151

To meet one of the requirements for merit citizenship badges, 7 scouts and their leaders, Mark Boyadjian and John Winkler, attended the Sept 8 Lake Park Village Council meeting and participated by leading the opening Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag. The troop regularly meets at FUMC annex Thursdays at 7pm.

## Styrofoam Is Not Recyclable

Sort all styrofoam packing material and pellets and put in the dark green rolling carts - never put in recycle carts or bins. Double bag Styrofoam pellets. If pellets are not double bagged, they spill and scatter in wind. Close cart lids. Workers are at risk when carts are heavily rain-soaked. Landscaping crews also lose mowing time.

As a courteous and conscientious community, we need to do our part and not make routine work more difficult for our contract crews who must complete their rounds on schedule. See [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov), pick up a copy at the Community Center or call 980-255-3800.

Plan ahead: Bulk items are never to be put to the curb until the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday each month. Oct 8, Nov 13 and Dec 10 are the last three pick up dates this year.

## Promenade Completion

Lake Park's village master plan designed a wide landscaped sidewalk connecting Faith Church Road to the Meeting Street side of Town Center Gazebo Park. The walkway installation began in 2000 at Faith Church Road, on the townhome side, opposite Faith United Methodist Church. More sections were added as residential property developed, extending across Society Court, Dill Alley and Balsam Street. Council voted to install the last walkway section this fall. The promenade will end, as originally planned, at the Christmas tree circle on Meeting Street; a completed convenience to walkers and joggers.

## Population Up 33 in 2014

The NC Office of State Budget & Management has raised our official estimate from 3547 to 3580.

## Fall Tree Trim Reminder

To allow pedestrian headroom, all property owners must remove their tree limbs that overhang the walks.