



# Lake Park Villager

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## GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

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

**Nov 23 Thanksgiving Day** Office Closed 11/23 & 11/24

**Dec 12** 7:00p Village Council

**Dec 14** 7:00p Planning Board

**Dec 25 Christmas** Office Closed 12/21, 12/22 & 12/26

**Dec 28** 6:30p Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

**Jan 16** 6:30p Economic Development Commission

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

**POND FISHING:** 2017 PERMIT REQUIRED FROM VILLAGE OFFICE

**VILLAGE OFFICE** TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY CENTER

MON 9A-5P, TUE-FRI 9A-12NOON

**KNIT ONE, CROCHET TWO**

EVERY THURSDAY 6:00 P

PANERA BREAD RESTAURANT

**THURSDAY BRIDGE CLUB**

DEC 14

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

CALL JOHN FOR MEETING TIME: 704-301-0931

**GARDEN CLUB**

DEC 2 12N, 2P, 4P CHRISTMAS TEA

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

\$20 TICKETS: 704-882-0461

DEC 18 6P CHRISTMAS DINNER & GIFT EXCHANGE **COMMUNITY CENTER**

**ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE CEREMONY**

DEC 3 5:30-6:30P

MATHISEN SQUARE

**LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION**

**704-544-7779**

DEC 3 6:15PM CHRISTMAS EVENT

TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY CENTER

DEC 7 7P ANNUAL MEETING

CENTRAL CHURCH

**SAGES CHRISTMAS PARTY\***

RSVP: 704-882-3107

DEC 4 1P CARD GAMES

704-882-6906

DEC 6 5P CHRISTMAS PARTY\*

LOGAN'S RESTAURANT, MONROE

DEC 18 11:15A LUNCH & CARD GAMES

704-882-6906

**SINGLES (65+)**

**COMMUNITY CENTER**

DEC 7 7P

704-882-3107

**BOOK CLUB** CHRISTMAS DAYS: 12 STORIES, 12 FEASTS/J.WINTERSON,

DEC 14 7:00 PM

CALL FOR MEETING LOCATION: 704-516-0445

**VILLAGER NEWSLETTER**

IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY DEC 26

DEC 15 NEWS DEADLINE

[CHERI.CLARK@LAKEPARNC.GOV](mailto:CHERI.CLARK@LAKEPARNC.GOV)

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## Newly Elected Officials

Mayor David Cleveland, Councilwoman Pam Jack, newly elected Councilwoman Kristen Bowman and Councilman James Record will take the Oath of Office at the December 12<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting. The meeting begins at 7pm and is open to the Community.

## Dec 2 Christmas Tea

"A Garden Angel" themed Christmas Tea sponsored by the Garden Club will be held in the Community Center on Dec 2. Enjoy a Traditional Tea setting, that is served to you by dashing Garden Club men. Seatings are at Noon, 2pm or 4pm.

All proceeds from ticket sales will support the beautification projects of Lake Park. Tickets are only \$20, call today to make your reservation: **704-882-0641**

## Christmas in Lake Park

The Annual Village Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony will be at Mathisen Square from 5:30pm to 6:30pm on **December 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Hometown Heroes Wayne and Brenda Daniels will switch on the lights. Join us for holiday music and fun with your family, friends, and neighbors.

HOA is sponsoring the annual Christmas party in the Community Center with Hot Cocoa, Cookies immediately following the Tree lighting. Horse drawn carriage rides will be available and Santa Claus is expected to stop by. The indoor event is held rain or shine. Bring family and friends to start the season together in these events sponsored by the HOA and Village Council.

## Toys for Tots

Community Members may continue to donate new and unwrapped toys until December 3<sup>rd</sup> at 8 pm.

Toys for age 18 months to 18 years can be dropped off at the Community Center during office hours of Monday 9a-5p, Tues-Fri 9a – 12noon.

If you are not a shopper but would like to donate, please visit [www.lakeparknc.gov](http://www.lakeparknc.gov) and look for the Christmas Tree picture. Click on the tree to make your donation to the Union County Christmas Bureau.

Last Year (2016) The Christmas Bureau and Toys for Tots helped over 1300 families in Union County.

## Lake Park Village Government

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### Deputies Dana Rucker & Taylor Hackney

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

For non-emergency: (704) 289-1591 [officer@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:officer@lakeparknc.gov)

## Outdoor Home Decorations

The HOA judging for Outdoor Decorations will be December 12<sup>th</sup>. The 4 categories are: Best in each neighborhood, Children's Favorite, Clark Griswold, and Best in Neighborhood. Winners will receive a temporary sign placed in their yard.

## HOA Annual Meeting

All property owners are encouraged to attend the December 7<sup>th</sup>, Annual Meeting at Central Church. The meeting will begin at 7pm, with check in beginning at 6:30 pm. The board will offer their 2017 progress reports, and the 2018 budget and activities. If you have not received your voting packet by mail by December 1, contact Cusick Management before the meeting at 704-544-7779. A minimum of 150 properties will need to be present for a quorum to take place. Please attend the meeting or mail your proxy as soon as you receive it. The meeting will also offer a chance for any residents to become involved and serve on the committee that works so hard for our Community. The access to the meeting room will be to the left side of the building if you are facing Central Church.

Central Church is located at 3624 Lake Park Rd.

## EDC: Economic Development

◆ **Gray Insurance**, 3800 Meeting Street, marked their 8<sup>th</sup> anniversary year in Lake Park by merging with JC Demo Insurance Group in Matthews. "Remaining in Lake Park, we have added more carriers, and more customer service staff, and competitive rates", reported Andy Pierce. Gray Insurance offers auto, home, business, life and pet coverage policies. The added location is 1130 Sam Newell Rd, Suite C. 704-893-0005, [www.jcdemoinsurance.com](http://www.jcdemoinsurance.com).

◆ Local Churches, Central Church and Faith United Methodist Church offer abundant programs, Sunday Services, outreach activities, and bible studies. Both churches email periodic newsletters to invite participation. Subscription contacts are [lisac@centralnc.org](mailto:lisac@centralnc.org) and [paigeann@faithisalive.org](mailto:paigeann@faithisalive.org).

## P&RC: Parks & Recreation

◆ **Kiker Tree Service** has elevated limbs along Conifer Circle and Sages Avenue so residents can safely walk around the ponds. Several other dead or dying trees were removed throughout the village.

◆ **Waste Bin Enclosure** at the Community Center is complete

◆ **2018 Fishing Permits** are now available. All 2017 Permits will expire 12/31/2017.

◆ **Chili Cook Off** was held Nov 11<sup>th</sup> from 6pm to 8pm. 9 chefs vied for prizes, and approximately 80 residents enjoyed their concoctions and judged best recipes.

**Lois Lyons 1<sup>st</sup> place - Double L Chili**

**Nicole Mistretta 2<sup>nd</sup> place - New Yawk Chili**

**Kristen Bowman 3<sup>rd</sup> place - Rainy Day Chili**

All entry fees were donated to the Toys for Tots drive. We also collected enough toys to fill 1 collection box. We have 5 more to fill! Please consider donating a new unwrapped toy or teen gift by Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> @ 8pm.

## 5 Year Plan Progress

Safety, Communication, Perception, Animal Control, and Curb Appeal Committees welcome the public to any of these meetings. Dates and times are posted at Town Hall each month. If you have any questions regarding these committees please reach out to Councilwoman Pam Jack at [pam.jack@lakeparknc.gov](mailto:pam.jack@lakeparknc.gov)

## Holiday Safety

Deputies urge all residents to lock their vehicles and use alarm systems carefully to ensure immediate responses for true emergency calls.

### Traffic Reminders:

#### Speed limit is 25

Do not park within 30' of intersection.

Do not park within 30' of stop sign.

Do not park in front of a private or public driveway

Do not park in cul-de-sacs



## Reduce! Reuse! Recycle!

### Leaves:

Enclose in clear bags; set bags at the curb.

### Garbage:

Bag and put in green rolling cart.

### Plastics, Metal:

Put in blue recycle cart or box.

### Yard Debris:

Limbs must be cut into 3' lengths  
And no more than 6" in diameter.  
Set yard debris bags next to cart.

### Absolutely NO:

Construction Waste

### Bulk Pickup:

Every Week.

### Trash Pick Up:

12/7, 12/14, 12/21, 12/29