



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.

- Jul 30** 3-7pm – Community Blood Bank Drive at Town Hall/Community Center
- Aug 7** 6-8pm National Night Out
- Aug 14** 7pm – Council Meeting
- Aug 15** 7pm – Communications Commission
- Aug 21** 7pm – Planning Board & Board of Adjustments
- Aug 27** 6:30pm – Parks & Recreation Commission
- Aug 28** 6:30pm – Fire Study Work Session

VILLAGE OFFICE TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER
MON 9AM-5PM; TUE-FRI 9AM -12NOON

VILLAGER NEWSLETTER IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY AUGUST 28TH
NEWS DEADLINE AUGUST 19TH TO KRISTEN.BOWMAN@LAKEPARKNC.GOV

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK
LAKE PARK TENNIS COURTS OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK
POND FISHING PERMITS: PURCHASE AT TOWN HALL

POOL SEASON PASSES: PURCHASE AT POOL DECK

MUSIC IN THE PARK
AUG 25TH, 7-10PM MATHISON SQUARE

KNIT ONE, CROCHET TWO 704-840-9661
EVERY THURSDAY, 6:00PM PANERA BREAD RESTAURANT

4TH THURSDAYS BRIDGE CLUB TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER
AUG 23RD CALL JOHN FOR TIME: 704-301-0931

LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION 704-544-7779
AUG 2ND, 7PM BOARD MEETING TOWN HALL/ COMMUNITY CENTER
CUSICKCOMPANY.COM

SAGES 704-882-3107
MIXED GAMES – AUG 10TH, 1PM, COMMUNITY CENTER
GAMES –AUG 6TH, 1PM 704-882-6906
LUNCH & CARD GAMES – AUG 13TH, 11:15AM 704-882-6906

SINGLES GROUP (55+) 704-882-3107
NO MEETINGS JUNE/JULY/AUGUST TOWN HALL/COMMUNITY CENTER

GARDEN CLUB NO MEETING IN AUGUST

Updated Waste Collection Information is at lakeparknc.gov -> Waste Collection, a green button on right side of the page

What's NEW in the Village?

Front Entry Pond

The pond at the Lake Park Rd entrance is nearly complete with renovations. The erosion issues from water and muskrats have been corrected by gently grading the slope into the pond and adding river rock above and below the waterline. Grass that was removed due to grading has been reseeded and will be repeated in the Fall.

Changes to CC&Rs

Homeowners will be learning about the proposed changes to our Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions (CC&Rs) and our By Laws. Volunteers will be needed to assist the HOA to communicate the changes.

New Communications Commissioners

Please welcome Sharon Williams and Tiffany Zamora to the new Communication Commission with council chair Kristen Bowman. Meetings are scheduled for the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7pm.

Fire Study

The Western Union Regional Fire Service is conducting a Fire Study and two volunteers from each jurisdiction and fire department boards will be participating. Council member James Record and town clerk Cheri Clark will be representing Lake Park. Fire Chief Johnny Blythe will be conducting a work session to discuss the Western Regional Fire Service with council on August 28th at 6:30pm.

Check Those Bins!

We all want to recycle, and sometimes put too much in the recycle bins and our mistakes can contaminate an entire truck causing a Recycle Truck to become a Trash Truck. A Waste Pro rep rode with the Lake Park trucks and highlighted some offences we need to change:

- Motor Oil needs to be taken to a car care facility for recycling
- Paint needs to be dry and the cans left beside the garbage can for pick-up
- Landscaping debris needs to be placed in clear bags and placed at the curb

Items such as paint, motor oil, clothing, and yard debris contaminate the entire truckload of recycling, making it trash instead. Only recycle items listed on lakeparknc.gov and rinse out all food debris. Help us reduce our carbon footprint by recycling correctly.

Lake Park Village Government Call List

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Cheryl Bennett, Finance Officer

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Ken Swain, Village Attorney

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cheri.clark@lakeparknc.gov

Full Time Deputies Dana Rucker & Taylor Hackney

Call 911 to report emergency or any suspicious behavior.

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

See Something, Say Something

When you see Public Works people and trucks in the village please give the Village Office a call at 704.882.8657. It is important for the village to know when electrical, gas, water, etc. work is being completed and your assistance is appreciated.

The Buses are Back!

August 27th is the First Day of School. When planning your commute, remember that elementary school buses roll through Lake Park bright and early at 6:30am.

Budget Recap

Council approved the 2018-2019 budget in June after a Budget Workshop and a Public Hearing. The following changes were made:

- The first tax increase in 10 years was approved, increasing the rate from \$0.23/\$100 valuation to \$0.24/\$100 valuation to aid the village in addressing aging infrastructure issue.
- Storm water tax rate was increased for the first time since its inception due to the need to address current and upcoming storm water projects. Residential rates increased from \$30 to \$45 annually and the commercial rate was set at \$200 if less than an acre and \$350 if more than an acre.

Upcoming Events...

National Night Out

Tuesday, August 7th, from 6-8pm, neighbors throughout Lake Park are invited to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide for the 35th Annual National Night Out crime and drug prevention event. Residents nationwide are asked to lock their doors, turn on outside lights and spend the evening outside with neighbors and police, including Lake Park's own Deputy Rucker and Deputy Hackney. We will have activities for all ages, music in the park, and pizza. The Union County Sheriff Department will have the SRT Truck onsite, Ghost Cars, Police Motorcycles and more for the community to explore. The EMS will host a Hands Only CPR presentation that anyone can participate in.

Music in the Park

Bring a picnic and blankets or chairs and spend an evening listening to an 80s Flashback band in Mathisen Square on August 25th from 7-10pm

Community Blood Bank Drive

The Poplin Elementary PTA is hosting a Blood Drive in Lake Park in an effort to win \$1,000 certificate for school supplies for the upcoming year. The Blood Bank bus will be parked outside the **Community Center on July 30th from 3-7pm**. Come out for an event that supports both the Blood Bank and our local elementary school!

Fall Festival

The HOA's 28th Fall Festival is on October 13th and held in Mathisen Square from 10am-4pm. The HOA is looking for vendors for crafts or other goods and services. Residents can have a 10'x10' free of charge! There is a \$35 charge for non-residents and additional spaces. For more information, and to volunteer, email Alicia Parente as soon as possible at LakeParkHOAevents@yahoo.com. Volunteers are needed!!!

E-notify: Go to www.lakeparknc.gov to enroll your email and ensure that you receive current town news and events including the *Lake Park Villager* on your phone, tablet or computer.

P&RC: Parks & Recreation

Independence Day Thanks

The Common Heart Firecracker Run had about 325 participants and raised around \$11,000 to feed families in need. That's enough to provide a week's worth of groceries to about 550 families of the 800+ they serve.

Thanks to Jo Waybright and Grace Stanley for judging the decorate-your-bike parade and congratulations to Judy Taul for being our Hometown Hero. Appreciation also to the Mathisen family for participating in the Mathisen Square dedication ceremony.

The HOA's Car Show was a success with judges from D&K Designs and Goodfellaz Customs. Thanks to Helen Barton and Steve & Teresa Tutor for volunteering.

Community Center/Park Rental Information

Did you know you could rent a room in the Community Center or one of our parks for your parties or gatherings?

- **Community Center Room:**
 - **Residents** rent for \$65 for 3 hours and \$15 for each additional hour (\$100 refundable security deposit)
 - **Non-residents** rent for \$100 for 3 hours, then \$15 for each additional hour (\$100 refundable security deposit)
- **Mathisen Square Gazebo:**
 - **Residents** rent for \$50 for 4 hours and \$15 for each additional hour (\$100 refundable security deposit)
 - **Non-residents** rent for \$150 for 3 hours and \$15 for each additional hour (\$100 refundable security deposit)

 **Reduce! Reuse! Recycle!** 

Thursday Pickups: 8/2, 8/9, 8/16, 8/23, 8/30
Bulk Pickup: EVERY WEEK