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GOVERNMENT CALENDAR

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

- May 3** 6:30p Village Council Annual Budget Meeting
- May 10** 7:00p Village Council Meeting
- May 17** 7:00p Planning Board Meeting
- May 19** 6:30p Economic Develop. Commission Meeting
- May 23** 6:30p Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
- May 30** Village Office Closed: Memorial Day

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

LAKE PARK PUBLIC PARKS OPEN AT DAWN, CLOSE AT DUSK

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

SAGES EVENTS COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

MAY 2	1 PM CARD GAMES	INFO: 704-882-6906
MAY 13	7 PM ACTIVITY BEING PLANNED	RSVP: 704-882-2005
MAY 16	11:15 PM LUNCH & CARD GAMES	INFO: 704-882-6906

CENTRAL ACADEMY EVENTS 3624 LAKE PARK ROAD

- MAY 5 NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER
- MAY 20 SENIOR GRADUATION, NOON DISMISSAL ALL STUDENTS
- MAY 26 LAST DAY FOR GRADES 6-11
- MAY 27 KINDERGARTEN GRADUATION, NOON DISMISSAL GRADES K-5

LAKE PARK HOMEOWNER ASSOCIATION

- MAY 5 7 PM HOA BOARD MEETING COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

LAKE PARK SINGLES AGES 45+ WELCOME

- MAY 5 7 PM COMMUNITY CENTER/TOWN HALL

BULK ITEMS MONTHLY PICKUP DAY ONE PICKUP DAY PER MONTH

- MAY 12 7 AM NEVER CURB BULK ITEMS ANY OTHER WEEK!

LAKE PARK BOOK CLUB *THE BOY IN THE STRIPED PAJAMAS* (BOYNE)

- MAY 12 7 PM 704-516-0445 LAKEPARKREADERS@GMAIL.COM

VILLAGER NEWSLETTER IN HOME MAILBOX TUBES BY MAY 24

- MAY 13 NEWS DEADLINE E-MAIL OR PHONE ITEMS TO SANDY COUGHLIN

GARDEN CLUB MEETING ALL WELCOME 704-882-8259

- MAY 16 7 PM MASTER GARDENERS SPEAKER COMMUNITY CENTER

LAKE PARK POOLS OPEN PAUL WOLFFCALE RECREATION CENTER

- MAY 28 – SEP 5 ADMISSION BY SEASON PASS OR PAY BY THE DAY
- MONDAY THRU SATURDAY 10AM - 8PM, SUNDAYS 12NOON – 8PM

MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY VETERANS PARK

- MAY 30 11 AM – 12 NOON (10 AM – 12:30 PM: CREFT CIRCLE CLOSED BETWEEN QUEEN STREET AND LOGAN CIRCLE)

INTERESTED IN ANY OF THE ABOVE? CALL AHEAD OR VISIT A MEETING

Girls On The Run 5k Apr 30

The 9th Annual Lake Park run will begin at 7am. Register now to participate at www.gotr.org or come out to cheer the runners and walkers of all ages on race day. Streets closed during the event include Creft and Conifer Circle, Mother Theresa and Alden. These race streets are expected to reopen by 10:30 am.

Spring Litter Sweep May 7

Lake Park's annual litter sweep needs and welcomes any and all volunteers; teens, adults, and families, to meet at the Community Center parking lot at 9 am, form teams and collect litter from designated village areas in about 2 hours. Refreshments provided. Forms are available for earning community service hours for your church, club or school. See attached flyer.

Keep Lake Park Beautiful

You make a difference! Thank you all who 'carry out' what you 'carry in'. Together we keep our streets, sidewalks, parks and playgrounds enjoyable for all.

Notice: Faith Church Road

Faith Church Road is the only state-owned road in Lake Park. All other roads in our town are owned and maintained by Lake Park municipal government.

In an effort to restore North Carolina's reputation as the "Good Roads State," the General Assembly required a new procedure in January to allow concerns over state roads to be addressed in a timely manner. Anyone can tell the department about potholes, drainage issues, damaged or missing signs or malfunctioning traffic lights.

How it works: As soon as someone reports a state road maintenance issue at <http://ncdot.gov/contact/>, it is sent directly to maintenance crews, who print out the concerns to be addressed.

Citizens must include their contact information and specify the precise location of the problem. The NCDOT crews need enough information to find the pothole or other concern so they can make the necessary repair or contact the citizen for more detail.

Community Watch

New Chief Deputy Todd Elmore and Captain Cody Luke spoke on behalf of the Union County Sheriff's Office at the April 12 Council meeting. They emphasized community services available to village residents to maintain safe and secure neighborhoods. Along with Deputy Dana Rucker, they encouraged residents to be

Lake Park Village Government Call List

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Pam Jack - Council

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Fabian Szarko - Council

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Cheri Clark – Clerk/Tax Collector/Village Administrator

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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

alert community watch volunteers. Community Watch programs are one of the most effective methods to promote safety and security, to prevent criminal activity and to inform officers of suspicious behavior as it arises.

Tactful neighborly outreach can be the start of lasting friendships, adding comfort and concern in times of need, and developing shared interests. An alert community is the best prevention for the safety of our homes, schools and businesses.

To learn more about community watch for your neighborhood, email blaircoops@yahoo.com. Blair Cooper is our HOA president and is the HOA community watch liaison with the sheriff's department.

Founders Park Lighting

Ambient lighting to highlight the Founders Park monument will be installed in the coming weeks. Council voted for six lights to illuminate the park feature and increase visibility around the gazebo steps.

Free Pool Pass Deadline

May 7 is the last day to purchase a 2016 season pool pass and still get the bonus of 5 free day passes. Season passes are available now. Pools open May 28. See attached flyer for complete Pools information.

Arthur Street Light

A new light has been ordered to better illuminate the darker area of Arthur Court. Installation is expected before Memorial Day.

Curfew Remains in Effect

As days lengthen and summer approaches, keep in mind that young folks (under age 16) are not allowed on the streets after 11pm, and must be in by midnight on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. For exceptions and other details, see the Curfew Ordinance at www.lakeparknc.gov or stop by the Village Office 9am to 12 noon Mon-Fri. All parks must be vacated at dusk.

Motorists: It's the law

The speed limit throughout Lake Park is 25 mph. Street parking in neighborhood cul de sacs is prohibited because it prevents emergency vehicle access. Also prohibited: parking in any private driveway when the vehicle overlaps the public sidewalk across the driveway.

Friday Jun 3 Pickup Day

Memorial Day holiday will affect the village waste collection the week of May 29-June 4. Our normal trash pickup day that week will be Friday June 3, not Thursday.



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Yard debris: Trimmed brush should be bundled.

Place tied bundles at the curb.

Stack bundles no higher than 3 feet.

Furniture: Put at curb MAY 12 ONLY.

Bulk Pickup Day: Put at curb MAY 12 ONLY.

Next bulk/furniture day is JUNE 9.

EDC: Economic Development

♦ **Carlini CPA, Gray Insurance, Total Tranquility Salon, Regenesis Skin Studio, Gordo's Mexican Kitchen, Lucas Landscaping, Lake Park Family Practice (Carolinas Health System), and Lake Park Nursing & Rehabilitation Center** are some of our local businesses offering vital services to Lake Park residents. **Miss Dee Dee's After School, Children of Faith Preschool and Children's Lighthouse Learning Center** offer care/educational opportunities for village families.

♦ **Security Alarms** need to be carefully managed by residents, schools, churches, businesses and government offices to avoid pulling deputies away from true service calls.

P&RC: Parks & Recreation

♦ **Fishing Permits** may be purchased at the Village office M-F, 9am – 12 noon. \$2 for residents, \$20 for non-residents. NC permits are also required for adults fishing in Lake Park. All fishing is catch and release only.

♦ **Normandy Castle** roof repairs are complete, including new shingles and a new spire.

♦ **Pool Furniture** replacements will include 17 new umbrellas and stands. The purchase is funded in the Pool Supplies budget.

♦ **U.S. Flags, N.C. Flags, Lake Park Flags:** These flags wear out every six months from constant exposure at the flagpoles near the clocktower, at Veterans Pond and near the kite girl monument. Council approved purchase of replacements. This is a planned budget item.

Open Garage Doors Openly Invite Theft

Always close garage doors when your family is not actively involved in yard activity. An open garage not only invites curiosity but also tempts those who may steal or damage items in view.