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The Windsor Newsletter

Message from the Mayor



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

APRIL 2013

It is time for our spring newsletter and an opportunity for me to keep you updated on our Town. First, I want to again thank our Council and Planning Commission for the excellent work they have done in planning for our future. I hope you saw the wonderful three page article on Windsor in the March 15 edition of the Daily Press and how they commended the Town for its planning for the future. I am proud to announce that Windsor also received one of two state awards for planning, given by Plan Virginia in October at their conference in Lynchburg.

Our police department is currently operating out of one room at the Town Hall, and they have a pressing need for more space. Council has carefully compared the cost of building a new police station, renting and renovating a building, or purchasing a building. The most inexpensive option and the best use of taxpayers' dollars is to purchase the Robert's house on route 460. This is also adjacent to the property we bought for our future Town municipal complex and will fit into our plans for growth.

Another need the Town has, particularly for our youth and the elderly, is a community center. We are trying to save the brick section of the Windsor Middle School which contains the gym, a very large room that could be used for meetings of different groups, classes, etc., and public restrooms. This building is very strong structurally and provides the best chance for us to have a community center in the near future. I would like to thank the School Board and the Board of Supervisors for their support of this idea. We are searching for grants and have asked the Board of Supervisors for funds for this project. For this to be successful, however, we will need the entire community, including civic organizations, churches, businesses, and individuals, working together on this. I have no reservations that the great people of Windsor can make it happen! If you or your group are willing to help, call me at 242-6606. Thank you in advance for being a part of something that will have a major impact on many lives, young and old!

Your mayor,

Carita J. Richardson.

COMMITTED TO COMMUNITY

With growth comes many positive things. In that same breath we must also accept that there are negatives that come with that as well. One of those negatives is an increase in crime. I would like to send a very clear message to the residents that we serve. We will not fail you! We do not hide the fact that the Windsor Police Department is a very proactive agency that knows our residents. The good ones along with the ones that we seem to come into contact with more often than others. As your Chief of Police, I am very proud to say that I work in a place where the good outweigh the bad. It makes coming to work a pleasure. We intend and vow to keep this Town that way. Although you cannot stop growth, you can guide it. Although we cannot stop crime from happening, we can make sure that those that choose to harm our residents in any way are brought to justice.

Chief Reynolds

From the Chief



More than just a small Town Police Agency The Windsor Police Department held its first ever fundraising event of this type to benefit the survivors of the horrific tragedy that took place at the Sandy Hook Elementary School in December 2012. In just three hours the Windsor Police Department, along with the Windsor Volunteer Fire Department, Windsor Volunteer Rescue Squad, Carrsville Volunteer Fire Department, Southampton County Sheriff's Office, Isle of Wight Sheriff's Office, Smithfield Police Department, Chip's Towing Service and Dave's Service Center-Towing, raised \$1,270.00. I would also sincerely like to thank the Windsor Scouts and everyone who contributed. What an incredible Town we live in, and such a great honor it is to serve you all.

Chief A.V. "Vic" Reynolds

Touch a Truck Fundraiser for the Sandy Hook Victims Fund



Events & Special Notices

Relay For Life Fundraiser Benn's Lifesavers

Indoor Yard Sale at Benn's UMC
14571 Benn's Church Blvd., Smithfield

Saturday, April 13, 2013

8:00 am - 1:00 pm

Donations of household items, Etc. will
be accepted on April 10th from 9:00 am
Until 2:00 pm (no clothes)

Contact: Susie Mace @ 483-3270 for
more information.

1st Annual Spring Craft Fair

April 20, 2013 10 am - 4 pm

Windsor Community House, Commu-
nity Drive, Windsor

Vendor Items to include:

Crochet, Floral, Hand Painted Wine
Glasses, Gourd Birdhouses, Floating
Frames, Mische, Tastefully Simple,
Scentsy, Origami Owl, 31, Gold Can-
yon, Handmade Soap & Detergent,
Pottery, Leaf Castings, Gift Card Co-
vers, and many more!

- ◇ Event is Free to the Public
- ◇ Chicken Salad & Pimento Cheese availa-
ble for Purchase

Sponsored by: Woman's Club of Windsor

WINDSOR RURITAN CLUB'S 37TH

ANNUAL PIG PICKIN'

You are cordially invited to attend the
37th Annual Windsor Ruritan Club Pig
Pickin' Festival at Foster's Pond - 4 miles
South of Windsor, Virginia on Route
610, Wednesday, May 8th, 2012 from
3:00 - 6:00 pm

Tickets can be acquired for a donation
of \$22.00 per person by contacting
any of the Ruritan Club members or
calling Robert Beale @ 757-242-6550 or
757-642-3224.

**Tickets must be acquired prior to
the event**

Spring Clean Up

Our spring clean-up will be on Saturday May 18, 2013. Another opportunity to clean out your attic, garage, trim your trees and shrubs and get rid of items cluttering your yard. If you have any tree branches, remember to keep them less than three inches in diameter and no longer than four feet. You must bundle all branches, and you must bag leaves and yard trimmings. Our contractor will not enter the driveway or yard to get heavy items, such as appliances. Please place all items at the street by 7:00 a.m.

There will not be any pick-ups after 11:00 a.m. If you have household hazardous waste such as paint, pesticides, antifreeze, fuels, hobby supplies, insecticides, herbicides, paint thinners, solvents, fertilizers, swimming pool chemicals, household cleaners and household batteries, you can dispose of it free of charge at the Isle of Wight Transfer Station, 13191 Foursquare Road, Smithfield 757-961-3874 or the Staves Mill Convenient Center on Staves Mill Road 757-242-3597. You may recycle used motor oil at both locations.

For further information you may call the Town office at 757-242-4288.

Business Appreciation WWW

(Working Within Windsor)

June 6, 2013

6 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. @ the

Ruritan Building

The Economic Development Authority of the Town of Windsor will be holding a Business Appreciation banquet. This event is to honor the businesses of the Town of Windsor. A menu of various hors d'oeuvres will be served. Invitations will be mailed in the near future.

For further information you may call the Town Office at 242-4288.

New Business

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Blackwater Regional Library

Bonnie Lauver - blau-
ver@blackwaterlib.org
757-242-3046

Summer reading for children, teens
and adults begins
June 25, 2013.

Tampering With Meters

The Town Ordinance states under section **§145-6. Tampering with meters** It shall be unlawful for any person to remove, tamper or in any way meddle with any water meter box, rim cover thereto, or any part of such water meter box, and under section **§145-17. Violations and penalties** Any person or customer found guilty of violating any of the provisions of this article, or any written order of the Town of Windsor, in pursuance thereof, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and, upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine of \$100 for each violation. Each day upon which a violation of the provisions of this article shall occur shall be deemed a separate and additional violation for the purposes of this article.

Grass Cutting

With spring time upon us, grass will be growing again. Please help keep Windsor looking beautiful by cutting your grass on a regular basis. And don't forget, if your grass gets taller than 12 inches, you are in violation of Town ordinance which could result in the Town having the grass cut at your expense.

Grass and Trash Cans on Sidewalks Recently we have been receiving complaints about people cutting grass and leaving the clippings on the sidewalks or in the roads. We have also been receiving complaints about people leaving trash cans on the sidewalks. As you can assume, this poses a safety hazard for those individuals that walk on the sidewalks or on the edge of the roads where no sidewalk is available. Town Code does prohibit anyone from placing debris on the roads or sidewalks within the Town. We ask that you please keep our sidewalks and roads clear of any debris by blowing your grass clippings away from the roads and sidewalks, and by ensuring that your trash can is not placed on the sidewalk. We thank you for your cooperation in keeping Windsor a safe and beautiful community.

Town Council Members:

Mayor, Carita J. Richardson, Vice-Mayor, Wesley F. Garris, J. Clint Bryant, N. Macon Edwards, III, Patty Flemming, Durwood V. Scott, Greg Willis

The Windsor Town Council meets at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month.

The Planning Commission conducts its regular meetings on the fourth Wednesday of each month.

The EDA conducts its regular meetings on an as needed basis.



Recycle with Ease

Recycling has been made easy for Windsor residents. Recycling bins are located at Windsor Middle School for your convenience. Residents cannot put food in their trash bags to recycle, but anything else that is acceptable for your normal trash pick up can be put in the same bag. No separation of different types of items is needed. RECYCLE, SAVE THE COUNTY MONEY (help keep the tax rate lower), AND HELP THE ENVIRONMENT!

For curb side recycling, you may contact Moody's, A.V.E.S.

At (877) 357-9997 for further information.

Yard Sales It is yard sale season again!! Don't forget that you will need to purchase a yard sale permit for \$1.00 from the Town Office. Only signs provided by the Town of Windsor are permitted. Signs cost \$1.00 and will be refundable upon returning of the signs.

Leash Law It shall be unlawful for any person who owns or is the custodian of any dog (s) to allow such dog (s) to run at large in the Town of Windsor. And please remember, while walking your dog "on a leash", to be kind to your neighbors and "scoop the poop".

Thank you for your cooperation.

You should report after hour emergencies to the Isle of Wight Communications Center at 357-2151, and they will contact the appropriate Town staff.

Town Hall Phone: 757-242-4288

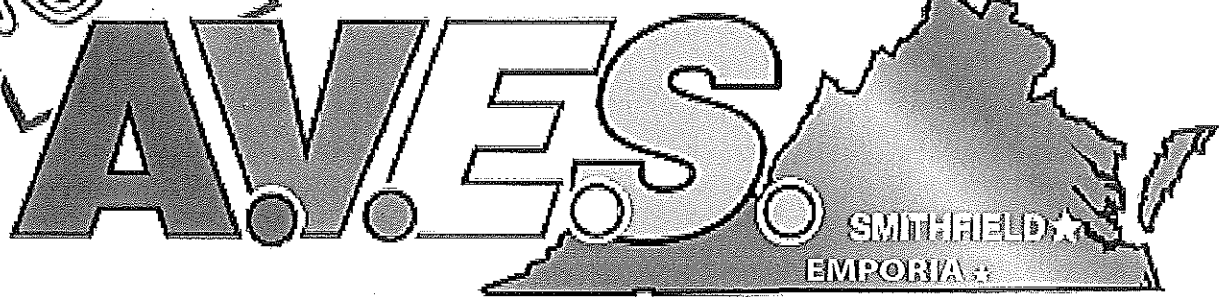
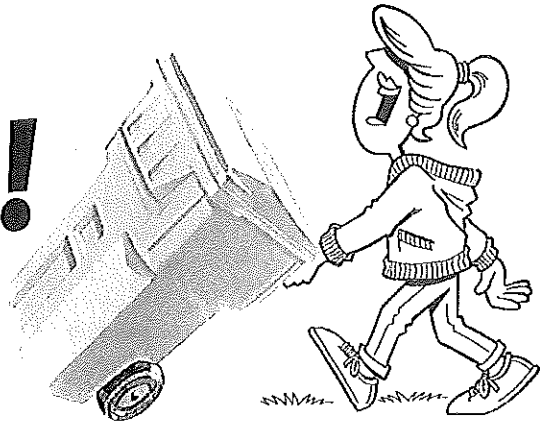
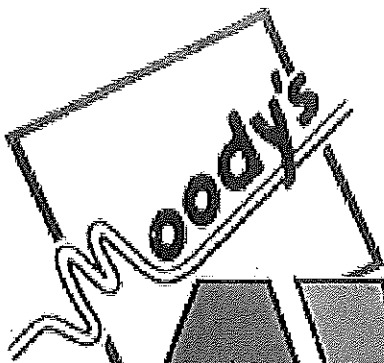
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E - Mail: windsor@windsor-va.gov

We publish and distribute the newsletter quarterly to Windsor Town residents, business owners and customers of the Windsor water system. If you have any questions, you may call the Town office or stop by to see us. We are open Monday - Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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