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Southeast High Speed Rail/Trail Concept Planning Public Workshop June 4

Wake Forest residents and other interested citizens are invited to offer their input concerning the location of a greenway/trail to be developed along the alignment of the Southeast High Speed Rail Project during an open house on Thursday, June 4. The meeting gets underway at 7 pm and will be held at the Northern Wake Regional Center, 350 E. Holding Ave.

The Southeast High Speed Rail project will be constructed in the alignment of the former Seaboard Coast Line Railroad which extends from just outside Petersburg, VA to Raleigh, NC. The currently inactive railroad enters North Carolina in Warren County east of US 1 and I-85 next to Paschall Road, passes through Norlina (where active freight rail service begins) and then enters Vance County passing through Middleburg, Henderson, and Kittrell. The rail line then crosses the Tar River into Franklin County passing through Franklinton and Youngsville, and enters Wake County traveling through Wake Forest, across the Neuse River and into Raleigh.

Preliminary plans propose a 10-foot wide trail to be developed in conjunction with the development of the railroad as a multi-modal transportation project. The greenway/trail is tentatively set to run parallel to, but outside of, the existing rail right-of-way.

State and local government agencies from North Carolina and Virginia are working with local citizens along the corridor to identify the best location for the greenway/trail. As envisioned, this trail will provide walking and bicycling opportunities for local citizens as well as persons traveling through the area on the East Coast Greenway.

For more information, contact Town Planner Candace Davis at (919) 554-4895 or via email at cdavis@wakeforestnc.gov.

Leave a Legacy - Deadline to Order Your Engraved Brick Paver EXTENDED to June 19

Wake Forest's new 44,000 square foot Town Hall is currently under construction. Upon completion, the facility will feature a tree-lined plaza that will serve as the gateway to the new municipal complex. Town of Wake Forest officials announced recently that the plaza will be named "Centennial Plaza" in

recognition of the Town's 100th birthday.



Centennial Plaza will serve as a focal point in downtown Wake Forest. Constructed with numerous seating areas, the plaza will provide a location to display public art and hold special events throughout the year, including the lighting of the Town's Christmas tree.

Perhaps the most interesting feature of Centennial Plaza, however, will be the engraved brick pavers. The Wake Forest Centennial Celebration Committee has been selling pavers to businesses and residents for the past several

months. Purchasers have submitted personalized inscriptions honoring loved ones, recognizing special events, and recognizing civic clubs and social groups that will be viewed and enjoyed by residents and visitors for years to come. These pavers will serve to link Wake Forest's past, present and future.

Paver inscriptions can be viewed online at

www.wakeforestnc.gov/2009centennial_brickpavers_inscriptions.aspx.

The brick pavers cost \$100/each. They measure 4" x 8" and include up to three lines for engraving. Purchase your brick paver before June 19 and you can participate in the creation of Centennial Plaza by ensuring your brick will be installed during the initial phase of construction and in time for the grand opening of the new town hall - scheduled for Dec. 5, 2009.

Order forms are available online at www.wakeforestnc.gov/2009centennial_brickpavers.aspx or at Town Hall.

The Town of Wake Forest is also planning to bury a centennial time capsule in an area adjacent to Centennial Plaza. The time capsule will include such items as a letter from Mayor Vivian Jones to a future mayor, a copy of *Connections...100 Years of Wake Forest History*, a centennial celebration scrapbook and the 2009 Wake Forest Area Chamber of Commerce directory.

A grand opening ceremony will be scheduled for Centennial Plaza once construction is complete.

For more information about the new town hall and Centennial Plaza, contact Parks & Recreation Director [Susan Simpson](#), at (919) 554-6182.

Fall Baseball & Softball Registration Begins June 8

Registration for the Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department's youth and adult fall baseball and softball leagues will begin Monday, June 8 and run until 5 pm Friday, June 26.

Registration forms for all youth leagues are available at www.wakeforestnc.gov/residents/parksrecreation_youthathletics.aspx or may be picked up at Town Hall. The in-town registration fee is \$40 and the out-of-town fee is \$80.

Players in every league except "Coach Pitch" must participate in a draft to determine team placement. The Parks & Recreation Department will conduct drafts for each league in August and in July will mail all registrants a postcard with draft/placement information. A birth certificate is required for all first-time participants.

Registration forms for the Men's Fall, Fall Co-Recreational, and Co-Recreational Church Softball Leagues are available online at www.wakeforestnc.gov/residents/parksrecreation_adultathletics.aspx and at Town Hall.

The Men's Fall Softball League is limited to Class E teams and lower. League play is scheduled to begin the week of Aug. 18, and games will be played on Monday and Wednesday evenings. The entry fee is \$550 per team.

The Fall Co-Recreational Softball League will begin the week of Aug. 18, with games on Tuesday and Thursday evenings. Entry fee is \$550 per team.

The Co-Recreational Church Softball League will begin the week of July 13. Games will be played on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. The entry fee is \$550 per team.

For additional registration information, contact Athletic Coordinator [Edward Austin](#) at (919) 554-6183.

Town Accepting Applications for 2009-10 Youth Advisory Board

The [Town of Wake Forest](#) is currently accepting applications from area high school students who are interested in serving on the Youth Advisory Board (YAB) for the 2009-2010 school year.

Applications are available in the Town Clerk's office at Town Hall and on the Town's website at www.wakeforestnc.gov/government/youthadvisoryboard.aspx. Completed applications must be delivered to or received by Town Clerk Deeda Harris, Town of Wake Forest, 401 Elm Ave., Wake Forest, NC 27587 no later than 5 pm Wednesday, July 1.

YAB applicants will be expected to attend the July 7 [Board of Commissioners](#) work session to be formally introduced and describe why they wish to serve on the YAB. The meeting gets underway at 5:30 pm.

Only high school students (grades 9 – 12) are eligible to serve on the YAB. The YAB is comprised of nine members - five of whom must live in the Town limits. YAB members serve one-year terms, but may be

re-appointed.

The YAB researches issues of importance to young people in the community, makes presentations about its findings to the Board of Commissioners, and holds informational and/or fun events for area youth.

The YAB meets on the third Saturday of each month at 9 am at Flaherty Park Community Center. The first meeting of the newly appointed YAB will be Aug. 15, and the year for the YAB will coincide with the school year - August through July.

The Board of Commissioners will announce the official appointments to the YAB during its regular meeting on July 21.

For more information, contact Town Clerk Deeda Harris at (919) 554-6190 or via email at dharris@wakeforestnc.gov.

Town Seeking Candidates to Fill Unexpired Advisory Board Terms

Numerous opportunities exist for Wake Forest citizens to become actively involved in the town's development. Issues related to various interests are reviewed by appointed citizen boards before action is taken by the Wake Forest [Board of Commissioners](#).

Due to a number of recent member resignations, applicants who live inside the Wake Forest town limits are sought to fill the following unexpired advisory board seats:

Cemetery Advisory Board

Applicants are sought to fill one in-town seat which expires Dec. 31, 2010. The Cemetery Advisory Board consists of nine members. Its purpose is to advise the Board of Commissioners and Town staff in matters affecting cemetery policies and improvements. The Cemetery Advisory Board meets at 7 pm on the fourth Tuesday of each month in the Board Chambers at Town Hall.

Human Relations Council

Applicants are sought to fill two in-town seats which expire Dec. 31, 2009, and Dec. 31, 2011, respectively. The Human Relations Council (HRC) consists of nine members whose duties are to encourage understanding and good will between all citizens regardless of race, sex, religion, creed, nationality, or economic status, and thus promote the general welfare of the Town. The HRC meets at 7 pm on the fourth Thursday of each month at various locations throughout Wake Forest.

All members are appointed by the Board of Commissioners.

Any citizen living inside the Wake Forest town limits who is interested in serving on either of these advisory boards may obtain an [application](#) by contacting Town Clerk Deeda Harris at (919) 554-6190 or via email at dharris@wakeforestnc.gov or by visiting the Town's website at www.wakeforestnc.gov.

Completed applications may be mailed or delivered to the Wake Forest Town Hall, 401 Elm Avenue, Wake Forest, NC 27587 or faxed to (919) 554-6195 and must be received no later than 5 pm Friday, July 17, 2009.

The Board of Commissioners will interview candidates during its work session on Tuesday, Aug. 4, 2009.

Advisory Board appointments will be announced during the Aug. 18, 2009, Board of Commissioners meeting.

For more information about these advisory board openings, contact Town Clerk [Deeda Harris](#) at (919) 554-6190.

- [Click here to download an Advisory Board Application](#)

It's time to *Get Up & Go!*

This spring and summer, the Town of Wake Forest is home to a new program called *Get Up & Go!* The program is helping thousands of residents get out, stretch their legs, and give transit, walking, and bicycling a try.

Throughout the month of June, *Get Up & Go!* is hosting a series of special events in Wake Forest. These events will take you to fun and interesting destinations, help you meet neighbors, and provide you with the knowledge and tools to explore our area by transit and on foot. Events are open to everyone in Wake Forest, especially beginners looking for a fun and safe atmosphere to get started.

We invite you and your family to join us for these great events:

Downtown Farmers' Market Walk

Saturday, June 13, 10:15 – 11:30 am, rain or shine

Meet at the Wake Forest Library, 400 E. Holding Ave.

Join your neighbors for a fun, social walk to the Farmers' Market. Bring a tote bag, basket, backpack, or anything else to carry your fresh produce and specialty goods. We'll stroll to the market and check out downtown's brand-new sidewalks and streetscape along the way!

Downtown Parks Tour

Saturday, June 20, 11 am – 12:30 pm, rain or shine

Meet at Festival Park, 527 S. White St.

Join us on a fun walk to discover our downtown parks and recreation facilities. We'll walk to Holding Park and Miller Park and end at Festival Park where the Shag swing dance Festival will be getting underway!

Downtown Dining Tour

Thursday, June 25, 6:30 - 8:30 pm, rain or shine

Meet at the Municipal Parking Lot , 110 S. White St.

Join us for this leisurely stroll through downtown to visit Wake Forest's twelve dining establishments. We'll stop at a few for some special surprises!

Wake Forest Loop Tour

Wednesday, June 30, 11:45 am – 1 pm, rain or shine

Meet at the Park & Ride lot at the intersection of White Street and Elm Avenue

Get to know Wake Forest on this town tour on the free Wake Forest Loop bus. All ages - seniors, adults, and kids – are invited to join us as we take the loop bus around town. We'll discover all the important

and fun destinations located on the loop and discuss how to reach the bus from different neighborhoods.

For more information on any of these events, contact the Wake Forest Downtown Revitalization Corporation at (919) 570-1372.

The Grass Cats in Concert June 7

The Grass Cats will perform a free bluegrass concert at Holding Park, 133 W. Owen Ave., on Sunday, June 7, from 3 pm to 5 pm.

Area residents are encouraged to bring a picnic and a blanket or lawn chair and enjoy the music.

According to their website, “The Grass Cats continue to entertain audiences with their exciting live performances and critically acclaimed recordings. Their shows feature lively foot-stomping fiddle and banjo music, bluegrass classics, tight vocal harmonies, acapella gospel quartets and chart-topping original songs. The Cats also perform cleverly arranged ‘covers’ of songs from artists as diverse as Eric Clapton, Duke Ellington and Johnny Cash.”

The concert is offered by Pinecone, the Piedmont Council of Traditional Music and is co-sponsored by the Town of Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department and United Arts of Raleigh and Wake County.

In case of rain, the event will be held inside the Wake Forest Community House.

For more information, contact Parks & Recreation Director Susan Simpson at (919) 554-6182.

Independence Day Holiday Schedule

The Wake Forest Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed Friday, July 3 in observance of Independence Day. Yard waste collection will be suspended Friday, but police, garbage and recycling services will not be interrupted.

Yard waste normally collected on Thursday and Friday will be collected Wednesday and Thursday. In order to ensure that all neighborhoods are serviced properly, the Town of Wake Forest encourages residents whose yard waste collection day is Thursday or Friday to leave their yard waste at the curb by 7 am Wednesday.

Town offices will re-open Monday, July 6 at 8 a.m.

For more information about [Town of Wake Forest Sanitation services](#), contact [Betty Pearce](#) at (919) 554-6120.

For information throughout the year concerning holiday garbage and recycling schedules, visit the Town’s website at www.wakeforestnc.gov/news_index.aspx.

Baseball Clinic Set for July 10-11

The Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department will offer a baseball clinic for youths ages 7 to 14 on Friday, July 10 from 6 pm to 8 pm and Saturday, July 11 from 9 am to 11:30 am and 12:30 am to 2 pm. An instructional game will follow from 2 pm to 4 pm. *Participants must bring their own lunch if they plan to attend both Saturday sessions.* The clinic will be held at Flaherty Park, 1226 N. White Street and the total cost for the two-day session is \$75.

Wake Forest-area youths are invited to join Rick Lancellotti and his traveling instructors from the Buffalo School of Baseball (BSB), Buffalo, NY, as they pay a special visit to Wake Forest to teach the fundamentals of hitting, pitching, fielding, baserunning, positioning, and situations.

The clinic is limited to 100 participants and the deadline to register is July 1. Registration forms will be available online and at Town Hall beginning June 18.

Rick Lancellotti began his 17 year professional baseball career in 1977. He played in 15 leagues, seven countries (US, Canada, Japan, Italy, Venezuela, Mexico and Columbia) and over 100 cities nationwide, ranging from Maine to Hawaii. Rick played for the Buffalo Bisons, winning the AA Eastern League MVP in 1979. He is a member of the Major League Baseball Players Association and the Major League Alumni Association. Rick finished his career as the all-time active minor league home run leader with 276 home runs. Rick has instructed and given clinics to students of all ages throughout the U.S., Japan and Italy. Since 1993, Rick and the BSB staff have been providing private instruction and instructional clinics for baseball and softball players of all ages and are bringing their expertise to a town near you.

Enrollment is limited - so register early! For more information, contact Edward Austin at (919) 554-6183 or eaustin@wakeforestnc.gov.

Calling All Purple Heart Recipients!

All Wake Forest-area veterans who have earned a Purple Heart are invited to a dinner in their honor on Wednesday, November 11, at 5:30 pm. This Veteran's Day dinner will be held at the Ledford Center on the campus of SEBTS. Family members and widows or widowers of recipients are also invited.

If you or someone you know lives in Wake Forest and has been awarded a Purple Heart, please contact [Greg Harrington](#) at (919) 554-6150 or [Chip Russell](#) at (919) 554-6142.

Year-Round Lawn Irrigation Water Conservation Rules

In September 2008, the Raleigh City Council approved [permanent everyday water conservation rules](#) as recommended by the Water Conservation Advisory Council. The rules apply to Wake Forest customers and all other customers using water from the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Department, including Raleigh, Garner, Knightdale, Wendell, Zebulon, and Rolesville.

Customers using automatic or non-automatic irrigation systems may water their lawn from 12 am to 10 am on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday for addresses ending in an odd number. Wednesday, Friday and Sunday are watering days for even-numbered addresses. Hose end sprinklers may be operated from 6 am to 10 am and 6 pm to 10 pm on the same odd and even address schedule as sprinklers systems. No irrigating is allowed on Monday.

All irrigation systems and hose-end sprinklers must be operated to prevent water from being wasted on impervious surfaces such as driveways, sidewalks, streets and parking lots. All area restaurants may only serve drinking water upon a customer request. Hotels and motels must ask guest spending more than one night to use the towels and bed linens more than once between laundering.

A first violation of the water conservation rules will result in a written warning, a civil penalty of \$50 for a second violation, and \$200 for a third violation. A fourth violation will result in interruption of the customer's water service.

For more information, contact the City of Raleigh Public Utilities Department at (919) 857-4540 or the City of Raleigh Public Affairs Department at (919) 890-3100.

[Click here for more information concerning the year-round water conservation rules](#)

[Click here to learn how rain barrels can help you conserve water and reduce your utility bill](#)

Canoe/Kayak for Water Quality

The Town of Wake Forest is inviting area canoe and kayak enthusiasts to take part in a series of monthly "Canoe/Kayak for Water Quality" events at the Wake Forest Reservoir, located off of Wait Avenue near the NC 98 Bypass.



The events will be held from 9 am until noon on June 13 and July 11. Participants will meet at the boat ramp for a water quality education briefing before paddling up the reservoir to perform a variety of water quality tests.

Participants are encouraged to bring their own kayak or canoe but a limited number will be provided at no charge and are available for reserve on a first-come, first-served basis.

A waiver form must be signed and returned by all participants prior to each event.

Participants should bring their own sunscreen and drinking water.

For more information about "Canoe/Kayak for Water Quality," or to register, contact Assistant Town Engineer Holly Spring at (919) 554-3158 or hspring@wakeforestnc.gov.

Holding Park Pool

The Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department opened [Holding Park Pool](#) for the season on Saturday, May 23.

The pool will be open only on weekends through Sunday, June 14. Beginning Monday, June 15, Holding Park Pool will be open on weekdays and weekends through Sunday, August 23.

Holding Park Pool, 133 W. Owen Avenue, is one of the area's largest outdoor public swimming pools. The 50-meter pool is open during the summer months and offers swimming to the general public, as well as water aerobics, swim lessons, lap swim times, and parent/toddler swim times.

Open swim times are 1 – 6 pm, Monday – Friday and 1-7 pm, Saturday – Sunday. Daily admission fees are \$1 for children ages 2 and under; \$3 for children ages 3-12, and \$4 for patrons ages 13 and over.

Open swim passes are now available. Passes are for individuals only and may be purchased at Town Hall. The fee is \$40 per person for Wake Forest (in-town) residents and \$65 per person for non-residents.

The swim lesson schedule was announced May 18. Classes will be offered for preschoolers (3-5-year-olds) and beginners (ages 6 and above). Swim lesson registration began June 1 at Town Hall. The fee is \$35 for Wake Forest (in-town) residents and \$70 for non-residents.

Lap swim passes and Parent/Toddler passes are also available and may be purchased at Town Hall.

Lap swim passes are for individuals only. The fee is \$30 per person. Lap swim times are Monday – Friday, noon - 1 pm.

Parent/Toddler passes are now on sale and are for one parent and up to two children ages 4 and under. The fee is \$30 per pass. Parent/Toddler swim times are Monday – Saturday, noon - 1 pm.

Water aerobics are scheduled for Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:45 - 8:30 pm. Wake Forest will offer two sessions: June 16 – July 9 and July 21 – August 13. The fee is \$30.

For more information about programs offered at Holding Park Pool, contact the Parks & Recreation Department at (919) 554-6180.

The Wake Forest [Parks & Recreation Department](#) manages 561 acres of parks, open space, natural land and trails. This includes five baseball/softball fields, three soccer fields, one pool, six picnic areas, eight playgrounds, eight lighted tennis courts, a dog park, the Wake Forest Community House, Flaherty Park Community Center, and more than two miles of greenway trails.

Recycle Your Old Phone Books

Wake Forest residents and business owners can recycle their outdated phone books by dropping them off at the Town of Wake Forest Operations Center, located at 234 Friendship Chapel Road.

Residents can recycle their directories in any of the co-mingled paper containers at the Operations Center, which will serve as a permanent 24-hour-a-day drop-off location. A sign at the entrance of the facility will direct residents to the designated receptacles.

The telephone books recycled in Wake County will be used to make environmentally friendly insulation for houses, mulch for gardens, egg cartons, and a variety of assorted paper products, such as utility bill envelopes, cereal boxes, and grocery bags.

For more information, contact [Betty Pearce](#) at (919) 554-6120.

Great Grass Giveaway a Huge Success

Wake Forest's inaugural Great Grass Giveaway concluded on a very successful note as the Town distributed over 1,400 lbs. of bermuda grass seed to 94 local residents.

Town officials say they will consider offering the program again in 2010 but a final decision has not been made.

For more information on this year's Great Grass Giveaway, contact Deputy Town Manager [Roe O'Donnell](#) at (919) 554-6121.

Lock Your Doors!

Following a string of recent break-ins involving unlocked vehicles, the [Wake Forest Police Department](#) is again urging residents to lock their unoccupied vehicles when parked at home or away.

Most vehicle break-ins are carried out by amateurs who take advantage of the carelessness of drivers who leave their vehicles unlocked and valuables in plain sight. By simply locking your doors, you can significantly reduce your chances of becoming a victim.

Police say high-end electronics and global positioning system (GPS) units are growing in popularity with car thieves, so drivers should always remove or hide their cell phones, iPods, and GPS units.

Car prowlers tend to hit areas with high concentrations of cars, such as apartment or townhouse parking lots, shopping malls and garages. A visible GPS unit is an obvious target, but car prowlers also look for any signs one might be hidden inside the vehicle, such as a mount on the window or dashboard. Even the circle left on the windshield from a suction cup mount is enough to entice some crooks to break in. They assume a GPS unit is hidden somewhere inside.

"People need to realize if they leave the GPS mounting station in their vehicle or even the suction cup marks on the windshield, that's sending a clear sign to thieves about what is likely inside the vehicle," said Lt. T. Coleman.

The police department is offering the following tips to help prevent vehicle break-ins:

- Park in open, well-lighted, and populated areas near your destination. Avoid parking near trucks, vans, dumpsters, and other objects that obstruct visibility and provide hiding places.
- Avoid parking near strangers loitering or sitting in vehicles.
- Park in lots or garages where you don't have to leave your keys.
- If you have a garage – use it! Then lock the vehicle AND the garage.
- If possible, don't leave your vehicle on the street, in an alley, or on your driveway. If you have to park on a street, avoid dark or isolated areas.
- Turn off your engine, roll up all windows, lock all doors, and take your keys with you even if you are making a quick stop at a store or gas station, or even in your driveway.
- Don't leave spare keys inside your vehicle. An experienced thief knows all the hiding places. Store spare keys in your wallet.
- Don't leave cell phones, GPS units, iPods, wallets, purses, or anything of value in vehicles. If you prefer not to take such items with you, lock them in your trunk!

- Don't leave your vehicle in an unattended public lot for an extended period of time.
- Install an alarm system that will sound when someone attempts to break in, move, tilt, or start your vehicle. Always activate the system when leaving the vehicle.
- Check your vehicle if you hear the alarm sound, but don't try to stop a person attempting to break in. Get a good description of the person and call the police.

When shopping for a new vehicle, look for some key features, including:

- Interior hood and trunk lock releases. Install a secondary hood lock if your car does not have one.
- A factory immobilizer – a computer chip in the key.
- A locking steering wheel.
- Other anti-theft devices, such as an alarm or GPS tracking system.

The Wake Forest Police Department encourages citizens to report suspicious behavior or activity by calling (919) 556-9111.

Bicyclists & Motorists Reminded to 'Share the Road'

As the weather gets warmer, more people take to the highways for travel or recreation, raising the importance of motorists and bicyclists respecting each other's rights.

North Carolina law defines a bicycle as a vehicle, which gives bicyclists the same rights and responsibilities as other drivers. May is National Bicycle Safety Month, and the N.C. Department of Transportation reminds bicyclists and motorists to obey all traffic laws and use caution.

"Bicyclists and motorists share the road and need to travel responsibly," said Tom Norman, director of NCDOT's Bicycle and Pedestrian Division. "Our top priority is safety, and it is more important than ever for bicyclists and motorists to use caution on the roadways."

More than 900 bicycle-motor vehicle crashes are reported to the N.C. Division of Motor Vehicles each year. The majority of incidents occur between the months of May and September, and between the hours of 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. From 2002 to 2006, 112 bicyclists were killed in collisions with motor vehicles, and more than 2,300 were injured.

NCDOT encourages bicyclists to follow these safety tips when riding on the road:

- Always wear a bicycle helmet;
- Ride on the right-hand side of the road, in the same direction as other vehicles;
- Obey all traffic signs and signals;
- Properly signal all movements and make sure movements can be made safely;
- Yield to drivers and pedestrians, as appropriate; and
- Avoid riding at night, but if you do, be sure to use a headlight visible from a distance of 300 feet and a red reflector visible at a distance of 200 feet, as well as wear reflective clothing.

NCDOT also urges motorists to follow these safety tips when encountering bicyclists:

- Keep a lookout for oncoming bicyclists when turning left and wait for them to clear the intersection before completing your turn;
- After passing a bicyclist on your right, take care not to cut them off by immediately turning right in front of them;
- Slow down when passing a bicyclist to make sure the rider is aware of your presence and leave plenty of room between your vehicle and the bicyclist;
- Stay alert for bicyclists who suddenly swerve or turn in front of you; and
- Yield to bicyclists, when appropriate, as you would for other motor vehicles.

New Tunes On Community Channel 10

The Town of Wake Forest is now airing a variety of music genres to accompany the bulletin board announcements on [Community Channel 10](#). Earlier this year the Town received permission from Time-Warner Cable to offer tunes from their "Music Choice" channels. In recent months the Town has aired music from the "80s" and "90s" but is now playing "Classic Country." If this kind of music isn't your favorite, don't worry. We'll continue to change the offerings every month or so.

Magistrates' Court Every Thursday in Wake Forest

Wake County now offers Magistrates' Court in Wake Forest on Thursday mornings from 8:30 am to 11:30 am. The move allows a number of judicial proceedings to be performed at the Wake Forest Police Department that before could only take place at the Wake County Courthouse in Raleigh.

Police officials say the Magistrates' Court will offer more convenience for both police officers and citizens and help reduce the number of cases heard in Raleigh.

Magistrates are appointed for two-year terms by the Senior Resident Superior Court Judge. As officers of the district court, they are subject to the supervision of the Chief District Court Judge in judicial matters.

In criminal matters, magistrates issue arrest and search warrants and set bail. They also have authority to:

- accept guilty pleas to minor misdemeanors and pleas of responsibility to infractions;
- accept waivers of trial and guilty pleas to certain traffic littering, wildlife, boating, marine fisheries, state park recreation and alcoholic beverage violations; and
- accept waivers of trial and guilty pleas in worthless check cases in which the check is for \$2000 or less.

In civil matters, the magistrates may be assigned by the Chief District Court Judge to hear small claims cases, including summary ejectment (landlord's action to evict a tenant) cases. The magistrate is also authorized to perform marriage ceremonies, assign a year's allowance to a surviving spouse, administer oaths, verify pleadings and take acknowledgments (notarization) of instruments.

For more information about Magistrates' Court proceedings in Wake Forest, contact the Wake Forest Police Department at (919) 554-6150.

Centennial Celebration Items on Sale

The [Wake Forest Centennial Celebration Committee](#) is selling several items as part of the year-long commemoration. Local businesses, civic organizations and individuals have a special opportunity to "be a part of history" and support the Centennial Celebration by purchasing an [engraved brick paver](#), a [centennial blanket](#) and the book entitled [Connections: 100 Years of Wake Forest History](#).



Centennial Blankets

The 2009 [Centennial Celebration blankets](#) are perfect for any living room or den, and they make a thoughtful gift for any friend or loved one. For only \$40, you will receive a 50" x 60" blanket that features our 2009 Wake Forest Centennial Celebration logo weaved into the tapestry.

The centennial blankets will be available for purchase at several upcoming community events, including the 4th of July Centennial Celebration. Centennial blankets can also be purchased at the Wake Forest Town Hall.

For more information, contact Centennial Celebration Events Coordinator [Kara Louise](#) at (919) 761-3021.

Connections...100 Years of Wake Forest History

The Town of Wake Forest is pleased to announce the publication of [Connections...100 Years of Wake Forest History](#).

This beautiful 8.5" x 11" hardcover limited edition volume is a treasure trove of pictures, original artwork and stories recording the people, places, and events of the past 100 years. Throughout the pages of this book, you will enjoy the rich history of Wake Forest and learn how it has grown from a small college town to a thriving community of more than 26,000 residents.

Be a part of this historic endeavor by purchasing your copy for only \$35. Shipping and handling is available for an additional cost of \$10 per book. To save on shipping and handling, these books may be purchased at the Wake Forest Town Hall, The Cotton Company, the Wake Forest Area Chamber of Commerce and at all Centennial Celebration events.

Connections...100 Years of Wake Forest History makes a wonderful gift for family and friends, is a great family heritage piece and treasured keepsake.

For more information, contact Centennial Celebration Events Coordinator [Kara Louise](#) at (919) 761-3021.

Park in the Direction of Traffic Flow

During its June 17, 2008 meeting, the Wake Forest Board of Commissioners passed an ordinance mandating that parking on all streets within the corporate limits of Wake Forest "must be established in

the direction of traffic flow.” Previously, only vehicles parked in the business district were restricted from stopping with their “left side to the curb.”

As a result of the new law, any vehicle parked along a town street facing the opposite direction from the flow of traffic is subject to a \$25 fine.

Firing Range Training

The Wake Forest [Police Department](#) has announced it will conduct firing range training on the following dates at the [police department firing range](#), located behind the [Flaherty Park Community Center](#):

Thursday, June 4

3 pm - 4 pm

Friday, June 12

6 pm - 9 pm

Wednesday, June 17

12 pm - 9 pm

Wednesday, June 24

8 am - 5 pm

Thursday, June 25

Noon - 10 pm

Friday, June 26

8 am - 5 pm

The schedule is subject to change, so residents in the area are advised to check the [firing range](#) web page, the [Community Calendar](#) and [Community Channel 10](#) for updated dates and times.

The firing range is utilized by Wake Forest Police officers who require instruction and practice in order to obtain current certification in the use of firearms. This certification is required in order for the officer to fulfill his duties for the Wake Forest Police Department.

Town Calendar

Tuesday, June 2 - Board of Commissioners Work Session, 5:30 pm; Town Hall. (919) 554-6100

Tuesday, June 2 - [Planning Board](#) Meeting, 7:30 pm; Town Hall. (919) 554-6100

Planning Board meetings are aired live on [Community Channel 10](#) and re-broadcast over the next two weeks on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10 am and 8 pm. Planning Board meetings are also available on-demand at http://wake-forest.granicus.com/ViewPublisher.php?view_id=2.

Monday, June 8 - Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department's Youth & Adult Fall Baseball and Softball Leagues Registration Begins (runs until 5 pm Friday, June 26). (919) 554-6180

Friday, June 12 - Art After Hours, 5 pm; Downtown Wake Forest. (919) 570-1372

Saturday, June 13 - Canoe/Kayak for Water Quality, 9 am; Wake Forest Reservoir. (919) 554-3158

Saturday, June 13 - Downtown Farmers' Market Walk, 10:15 – 11:30 am; Wake Forest Library, 400 E. Holding Ave. (919) 570-1372

Tuesday, June 16 - [Board of Commissioners](#) Meeting, 7 pm; Town Hall. (919) 554-6100
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Saturday, June 20 - Downtown Parks Tour, 11 am – 12:30 pm; Festival Park, 527 S. White St. (919) 570-1372

Thursday, June 25 - Downtown Dining Tour, 6:30 - 8:30 pm; Municipal Parking Lot, 110 S. White St. (919) 570-1372

Wednesday, June 30 - Wake Forest Loop Tour, 11:45 am – 1 pm; Park & Ride lot at the intersection of White Street and Elm Avenue. (919) 570-1372

For a complete listing of community events, including dates, times and locations, visit our [Community Calendar](#).

Employment Opportunities

[Click here for a complete listing of job opportunities with the Town of Wake Forest.](#)

News from Public Works

Compost Bins on Sale

The [Town of Wake Forest](#) is selling [THE EARTH MACHINE compost bins](#) to area residents at a cost of \$45 each. As a special service for Town of Wake Forest electric and/or sanitation customers, the Town will deliver the compost bins at no additional cost. Area residents who are not electric and/or sanitation customers may pick up their EARTH MACHINE at the Wake Forest Operations Center, 234 Friendship Chapel Road. For more information on compost bins, visit www.wakeforestnc.gov/compostbins.aspx. To order your compost bin, contact [Betty Pearce](#) at (919) 554-6120.

Rain Barrels on Sale

The [Town of Wake Forest](#) is selling [80-gallon rain barrels](#) at cost for \$90 each. As a special offer to Wake Forest electric and/or sanitation customers only, the Town will deliver the rain barrels at no additional cost. Area residents who are not electric and/or sanitation customers may pick up their rain barrel at the

Wake Forest Operations Center, 234 Friendship Chapel Road. Each rain barrel comes with a brass spigot, two overflow valves that can be used to connect additional barrels, and a screen to keep out debris and insects. For more information on rain barrels, visit www.wakeforestnc.gov/rainbarrels.aspx. To order your rain barrel, contact [Betty Pearce](#) at (919) 554-6120.

Know What Can Go In Your Recycling Cart

Recycling involves the separation and collection of used materials for processing and remanufacturing into new products. It's a great way to reduce waste, keep materials out of our landfills and help the environment.

The Town of Wake Forest offers weekly curbside recycling service and encourages you to "know what can go" in your rollout recycling cart:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Newspaper | • Gable-top paper cartons, such as milk cartons |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White paper | • Metal food cans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Green, brown & clear glass | • Aluminum beverage cans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Corrugated cardboard | • Aluminum foil (no food residue) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paperboard, such as cereal boxes, shoeboxes | • Six-pack rings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic bottles | • Magazines, junk mail & catalogs |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Aseptic juice boxes | |

For more information about Wake Forest's curbside recycling program, call (919) 554-6120.

Communications - Keeping You Informed

Focus on Wake Forest – June 2009

The [White Street Plan's](#) first phase of construction has been completed. We'll take you to South White Street and show you the transformation that's underway in downtown Wake Forest. The [Wake Forest Parks & Recreation Department](#) is offering a wide variety of programs and activities this summer. Ed Austin and Cindy Ferguson share all that's available for both children and adults; and finally, this year's [4th of July Celebration](#) is being featured as part of the town's series of centennial celebration events. We'll catch up with Rhonda Alderman and Kara Louise to find out what's being planned for this special occasion.

The June 2009 installment of Focus on Wake Forest is now airing at the top of each hour on Community Channel 10 and will be shown throughout the remainder of the month. In the coming days, the program will also be available on-demand at [/focusonwakeforest.aspx](#). For more information about Focus on Wake Forest, Public Information Officer Bill Crabtree at (919) 554-6196.

View Town Meetings On Demand

Public meetings held by the Town of Wake Forest are not only available on Community Channel 10 but are now being provided online. The Town's web site - www.wakeforestnc.gov – is now offering videos of [Board of Commissioners](#) and [Planning Board](#) meetings both live and on demand. The videos are

available at any time on the web site and provide a scroll-down menu that allows viewers the ability to watch selected portions of the meeting. The scroll-down menu includes the meeting agenda and minutes, which provide easy access to specific meeting topics. To access the video web page, go to www.wakeforestnc.gov. click on the "Our Government" link located along the left margin, then click "Streaming Media Archive." The service is free and works best with DSL or higher Internet speeds. For more information, contact IT Director www.wakeforestnc.gov. click on the "Our Government" link located along the left margin, then click "Streaming Media Archive." The service is free and works best with DSL or higher Internet speeds. For more information, contact IT Director www.wakeforestnc.gov. click on the "Our Government" link located along the left margin, then click "Streaming Media Archive." The service is free and works best with DSL or higher Internet speeds. For more information, contact IT Director www.wakeforestnc.gov. click on the "Our Government" link located along the left margin, then click "Streaming Media Archive." The service is free and works best with DSL or higher Internet speeds. For more information, contact IT Director [Tom LaBarge](mailto:Tom.LaBarge@wakeforestnc.gov) at (919) 554-4615.

Webcam Offers Unique View of Town Hall Construction

In an effort to provide the public with an up-to-date view of the new Wake Forest Town Hall, the [Town of Wake Forest](http://www.wakeforestnc.gov) recently installed a webcam to capture the project as it is constructed over the next year. The Town installed a camera on the second floor of the south side of the Planning Department, 221 S. Brooks St., to capture the full view of the construction site.



To see the new webcam link, go to http://wake-forest.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?publish_id=2

Sign Up for Connect-CTY Service

In 2008 the Town of Wake Forest implemented the [Connect-CTY service](#) to provide Town officials the ability to communicate with residents regarding time-sensitive incidents, which may include planned and unforeseen public safety matters. The Connect-CTY service allows officials to record, send and track personalized voice messages to thousands of residents, businesses, and local agencies in just minutes, through a single phone call. The Town can also send text messages to cell phones, PDAs, e-mail accounts, and TTY/TDD receiving devices for the hearing impaired. The service requires no additional hardware and can be used from any computer with Internet access or just a telephone, ensuring that officials can send vital messages from wherever they are located.

Publicly available primary residential and business phones in Wake Forest will automatically be included in the system. However, residents can opt-in to provide their complete information (up to three phone numbers and two e-mail addresses) and indicate if they have a TTY/TDD device by visiting the [Town of](#)

[Wake Forest Web site](#) and clicking on the link that says “SIGN UP NOW – SERVICES BY CONNECT-CTY” to enter their information into the secure database.

Wake Forest residents without Internet access can have their information added into the system by calling (919) 554-6100. Residents with call blocking services can make sure to receive the Town’s time-sensitive calls by adding (919) 554-6100 to their approved number list.

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Register for E-Notifier

Do you want to be the first to know about what's happening in the Town of Wake Forest? If so, then register for [E-Notifier](#) - our free email subscription service. The service allows you to subscribe to four specific information categories and receive an e-mail notification whenever we post new information on the website related to the chosen categories. Our goal is to help you receive the information you want as quickly and efficiently as possible.

E-Notifier alerts subscribers to the availability of [Board of Commissioners](#) and [Planning Board](#) meeting agendas, the [Town Manager’s Weblog](#), and *RecConnect* - the [Parks & Recreation](#) Department’s program brochure. This is a free service provided by the Town of Wake Forest, and you can rest assured your email address will only be used to deliver the information you request.

For more information, visit www.wakeforestnc.gov/enotifier.aspx or contact Public Information Officer Bill Crabtree at (919) 554-6196 or via email at bcrabtree@wakeforestnc.gov.

Town Manager's Weblog

Do you enjoy keeping up to date on the latest happenings in and around Wake Forest? If you do, then you'll want to subscribe to Town Manager Mark Williams' weekly weblog. The [Town Manager's Weblog](#) is published every Friday afternoon. Subscribers to the Town Manager's Weblog receive an email alert moments after its online publication. To subscribe, click [HERE](#) and type WEBLOG in the subject line.

A-Z Site Index

The Town of Wake Forest has added another useful resource to its website. The [A-Z Site Index](#) is designed to make it easier for you to find whatever you’re looking for on our website simply by searching for and clicking on a key word. Be sure to check it out! From [Administration](#) to [Zoning](#), you'll find key word links to everything our website offers - and then some!

Town News

It’s never been easier to stay informed about what’s happening in the Town of Wake Forest. Bookmark [Town News](#) for instant access to the latest press releases, the [Town Manager’s Weblog](#) and Weblog archives, [Community Calendar](#), [Focus on Wake Forest](#), and much more!

Customer Service Programs & Services

Pay Your Utility Bill Online

All Town of Wake Forest residential and commercial utility customers are eligible to make [online utility bill payments](#). Getting started is easy. Just visit the Town of Wake Forest [website](#), click on “[Utility Billing](#)”, then click on “[Online Services](#)” and follow the simple instructions. Customers with questions concerning the new online bill payment service should contact Customer Service Supervisor [Drew Brown](#) at (919) 554-6107.

Equal Payment Plan, Bank Draft, & Load Management

The Town of Wake Forest offers several [utility billing](#) programs designed to help our utility customers save time and money, including [online bill pay](#), [Equal Payment Plan](#), [Bank Draft](#), and [Load Management](#). For more information on these customer-friendly programs, click on the links or call (919) 554-6107.

Sign Up for Load Management and Save Money on Your Electric Bill

Did you know that by signing up for load management, you could save \$144 each year on your electric bill? Load management is a means of controlling the amount of electricity being used at any one time. When periods of peak demand occur, load management is used to reduce the demand and lower the cost.

Participating in the Town’s load management program is easy - and it's free! All you have to do is agree to allow the Town to install a load management switch on one or all of the following electric appliances in your home: electric water heater, electric heat strips, and/or central air conditioner. Then - during periods of heavy demand for power - radio signals to the load management switch cycle the controlled units off. The appliances are cycled off in such a way that there is little chance of your being inconvenienced. You still stay warm in the winter and cool in the summer. But here's the good news! By signing up for electric water heater control, electric heat strip control and 100% central air conditioner control, you can receive up to \$144 each year in credits on your electric bill!

If you’d like more information about Wake Forest’s load management program, visit our [load management web page](#) or contact [Drew Brown](#), Customer Service Supervisor, at (919) 554-6107.

Sign up for NC GreenPower

[Wake Forest Power](#) customers now have the opportunity to participate in the [NC GreenPower](#) program. NC GreenPower is designed to help improve the quality of the environment by allowing North Carolinians to choose cleaner, "greener" energy solutions such as solar, wind, small hydro and biomass materials. "Green power" is a cleaner energy alternative to traditional fossil fuels. By signing up for this independent, non-profit program, customers can add renewable energy to North Carolina’s power supply.

NC GreenPower offers two contribution options. The first option is designed primarily for residential or small commercial customers. It features energy produced from renewable sources, such as wind, solar or methane sources. Customers can purchase one or more blocks of clean energy for North Carolina at a cost of \$4.00 per block (100 kilowatt-hours of energy).

The second option is designed for large-volume users, but it can be purchased by any customer and

features energy produced from a wider range of sources, such as biomass and small hydro. Customers pay \$2.50 per block of 100 kilowatt-hours but must buy a minimum of 100 blocks.

Wake Forest Power customers who wish to sign up for NC GreenPower should contact [Drew Brown](#), Customer Service Supervisor, at (919) 554-6107. For more information about NC GreenPower, visit <http://www.ncgreenpower.org/>.