

Lewisville Citizen

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'Gump Fiction'

The Ultimate 90's Experience SATURDAY, JULY 20

"Chicago Rewired"

Premier Chicago® Tribute Band SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

National Night Out TUESDAY, AUGUST 6

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What's New

Town Blood Drive

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7
Mary Alice Warren
Community Center
(See page 3 for details)

CPR Class

SATURDAY, AUGUST 10 Mary Alice Warren Community Center (See page 3 for details)

Holiday Closings

Independence Day Town Hall Closed

THURSDAY, JULY 4
*Thursday and Friday Trash Service Will Be
Delayed by One Day the week of the 4th*

Happy Independence Day

The Town of Lewisville wishes you a wonderful Independence Day!

We hope you find time to cherish the freedoms we enjoy as Americans and honor the sacrifices made by so many to ensure our liberties.

Please enjoy festivities safely. May your day be filled with joy, pride, and memorable moments with family and friends.



New Town Manager Announcement



Stacy Tolbert

The Town of Lewisville is pleased to announce the hiring of Stacy Tolbert as the new Town Manager. She was named as town manager at the May 9 council meeting.

"We feel very fortunate to have someone to lead our staff who has her skills, experience, and an understanding of our town and our residents," Mayor Mike Horn said.

"Lewisville is a special place and I'm appreciative of the opportunity to serve its residents in this capacity," Tolbert said.

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Welcome Deputy Stephens



Cody Stephens

The Town of Lewisville is pleased to announce that John "Cody" Stephens has joined the Town's community policing program as a deputy in May 2024.

Before joining the Town, Stephens served over 15 years with the Davie County Sheriff's Office as a sergeant on patrol, K9 supervisor, warrant squad member, criminal investigations divisions member, sergeant in the narcotics division, and task force officer with Homeland Security. He also served in the US Army for a

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From Your Mayor RISING TO A HIGHER CALLING

Two and a half centuries ago a group of 39 men with names like Hamilton, Jefferson, Washington, Franklin, and Madison met in the then small town of Philadelphia to debate and determine the future course of a group of colonies. They were individuals with very diverse opinions and deep convictions. But they shared a common goal - to establish a nation for posterity that was "Unitum Unum" or United As One.

Yet, it seems that at this moment in time, we have forgotten how they labored and compromised for the greater good. Today, so many of those to whom we have given the honor and privilege to lead us are doing all they can to divide us. Fighting like mannerless young children. Throwing tantrums and calling each other names. Seeking to enrich themselves and hold on to what they perceive as power at any cost.

Why do so many, who have taken an oath to protect our constitution, seek to undermine the legitimacy of the bedrock institutions of our nation? To vilify those who are of different cultures and demonize those with differing views or beliefs.

For so many of our leaders, it seems their aim is to turn us against each other. To distract us from the weighty challenges we face as a nation, for their own self-interest.

By pitting us against each other they are creating a divide that is seemingly unbridgeable.

So, why do we cheer them on? Why do we condone their childish destructive behavior? Why do we continue to return them to positions for which they have so little respect?

I don't have an answer for that. But it's got to stop. It doesn't serve to advance us, our nation, or any of humanity. Seeking the lowest road should not be acceptable.

The famous quote of Commodore Oliver Perry during the War of 1812 seems appropriate today. "We have met the enemy, and they are ours" or more appropriately, its adaptation by Walt Kelly's animal comic character Pogo, "We have met the enemy, and he is us".

Is it not time for us to agree that the high road is better traveled? That a higher calling to public service should once again be a noble cause for our nation. And if so, should we not then seek out those leaders who will choose that path to serve all of us with humility, civility, respect, and coopera-

It seems like a lifetime ago when America's 43rd president said in his inaugural address, "Today we affirm a new commitment to live out our nation's promise through civility, courage, compassion, and character."



Mike Horn

But now, more than ever, reclaiming that promise will take all of us. If we settle for anything less, we will be diminished as a people and as a nation.

I truly hope that you will understand and appreciate that my message in this writing is not one of a disheartened warrior, but one of hope for all of us to pull together in a different way.

We are better than what we appear to be today. We are capable of great things. You and I know that. Just look at what we've accomplished here in our little town.

Recently, I listened to an interview with Pope Francis, who when asked how he could be hopeful in a world of such turmoil, he responded this way:

"You see tragedies, but you also see so many beautiful things. You see heroic mothers, heroic men, men who have hopes and dreams, women who look to the future. That gives me a lot of hope. People want to live. People forge ahead. And people are fundamentally good. We are all fundamentally good. Yes, there are some rogues and sinners, but the heart is good.

I know the heart of our nation is good. But we can't continue along the path we now travel. It is our choice. We all need to rise to a higher calling.

Like Mike on Facebook at Lewisville Mayor Mike Horn.

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joining a Board

or Committee?

Advisory Committee

Email: townclerk@ lewisvillenc.net

Town Manager from PAGE 1

"It's a busy time in this town and I'm happy to be able to carry out Lewisville's vision," she said.

"For the last five years, the council has watched Ms. Tolbert mature in her role first as a planner, then as interim manager, and as assistant town manager," Horn said. "Each time she has received a promotion and new responsibilities, she has excelled in that position."

Stacy has served the Town of Lewisville since 2018 when she was hired as a town planner. She has 18 years of experience in local government and was named interim town manager before accepting the role of town manager.

She's an Appalachain State Uni-

decade with multiple tours to Iraq

and Afghanistan.

feel of Lewisville.

versity graduate and double maiored in community and regional planning and geography.

Stacy is a Forsyth County native and lives in Tobaccoville with her husband and two children.



Tolbert being sworn in as Town Manager with her son

Stephens

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"I was drawn to Lewisville because it's a nice community and I have enjoyed getting to know the area and residents better," Stephens said. He added that he has felt at home in the town. He also enjoys the close-knit community

Stephens shared that he is a thirdgeneration law enforcement officer. "I am most proud to be able to follow in my grandfather and father's footsteps with my career choice," he said.

The Lewisville Fire Department

Mary Alice Warren Community

Center on Saturday, August 10

from 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. Learn life-

Minors under 18-years-old must

be registered by a parent or

quardian and supply an emer-

gency contact number. Children

use these techniques.

saving skills from the experts who

will be holding a CPR class at the

Outside of work, Stephens enjoys spending time with his family. He and his wife Brandi have been married for over 13 years. "[We] keep the roads hot going to our kids' various sporting events." The couple have an 11-year-old daughter and 7-year-old son that keep them on their toes.

"With my past law enforcement experience, I hope that I can be an asset to the community. I can certainly see a future here and am thankful that everyone has been so welcoming!" he said.

We look forward to having you in Lewisville, Cody!

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Stay up-to-date with the Town's social media

August 7 Blood Drive

The Town of Lewisville is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive on Wednesday, August 7 from 1-5 p.m. at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center, located at 7632 Warren Park Dr.

Every 2 seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood and/or platelets. Donate blood. Help save lives.

Please register to be a donor scan the QR code below. or call 1-800-733-2767.



August 10 CPR Class

under 12-years-old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian during the class.

The class has limited spots and the first 25 signups receive priority registration. Anyone interested in registering for the class should email their name, age, phone number, and address to vleasure@lewisvillenc.net



July Events

The Neon Queen ABBA Tribute Band

Saturday, July 13 @ 7:15-8:45 p.m.
Rock out to mega-hits "Dancing Queen", "Mamma Mia", "Gimme!

Gimme! Gimme! (A Man After Midnight)", and so many more! The Neon Queen's unique mixes include music from other icons

like Madonna, Britney Spears, Donna Summer, and even Dolly Parton! Break out those bell-bottoms and get ready for an outrageously groovy evening of music.



'Gump Fiction' The Ultimate 90's Experience Saturday, July 20 @ 7-9 p.m.

'Gump Fiction' is a high-octane, nostalgia-fueled time-machine with the totally radical destination of the 1990s.

Get pumped with fresh songs including Blink-182's "All the

Small Things", Backstreet's "No Diggity", the Spice Girl's "Wannabe", and so many more! It's the perfect concert to rock out to your favorite A-side tracks.



August Events

Lewisville's National Night Out

Tuesday, August 6 @ 6-8 p.m.

TOGETHER, WE ARE MAKING COMMUNITIES SAFER, MORE CARING PLACES TO LIVE AND WORK

Come join your neighbors and friends at the annual National Night Out event supporting our dedicated local law enforcement officers and first responders, including our awesome fire departments and emergency services at Shallowford Square.

The family-friendly event will have an array of activities ranging from games to demonstrations and so much more.

Free dinner of hot dogs, chips, and drinks will be on the menu, so please bring the whole family!



POLICE - COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

"Chicago Rewired" The Premier Chicago® Tribute Band Saturday, August 3 @ 7-9 p.m.

Chicago Rewired - The Premier Chicago Tribute Band is a tribute to Chicago® - one of history's longest-running and most successful pop/rock groups. The band comprises a unique blend of talented and seasoned musicians joining forces with the common goal of accurately replicating the timeless music of Chicago® - the soundtrack to great memories for so many people.



Bourbon Revival Bluegrass Band Saturday, August 31 @ 7-9 p.m.

The Bourbon Revival Bluegrass Band is back by popular demand! These Kentucky musicians set off on a mission to fuse bluegrass instruments with classic rock, pop, and country while accenting the beauty of the acoustic guitar, mandolin, banjo, and bass. The result is a night of great music by a high-energy band.



Shallowford Square Rules

- Do not litter, help us care for the Square
- No pets, alcohol, or weapons allowed
- Picnic tables cannot be reserved
- Do not leave seating overnight
- No skateboards, rollerblades, bicycles, scooters, or other recreational vehicles

lewisvillenc.net/shallowfordsquare

From the Desk of Jon Hanna

This Too Shall Pass

I spend a lot of time thinking about what would make Lewisville a better place to live, and as I was driving around the other day, it hit me — we need more construction projects! (Okay, that's a joke.)

As I was driving around town, I went through SEVEN lane closures! I wasn't even trying to count them, that's just how many I had the pleasure of running into while making rounds. So first, I must thank you all for generally keeping your cool as we endure all this infrastructure improvement going on around us. Secondly, I'll remind you, as I continuously remind myself, that "this too shall pass." It may pass like a kidney stone, but it will pass. At some point in the near future, we can admire our enhanced roadways, our

safer commutes, our reliable, resilient power grid, and perhaps a little more internet choice, and we will have forgotten all about the cones, barrels, delays, and detours. Hopefully.

Before we have that opportunity, there are a couple more projects in the hopper that we will need to put our heads down and get through. We expect construction of the Great Wagon Road (GWR) to begin this fall, and this will be no small project for our little town. Envisioned as a way to foster and manage growth, while encouraging a more pedestrianfriendly, vibrant downtown area, the GWR will relieve pressure and reduce development impacts on Shallowford Road. While this is a NC-DOT project, it is a case of Lewisville working to 'control our own destiny'

in terms of character and atmosphere.

Also expected to break ground in the next year will be the Robinhood Road/Lewisville-Vienna Round-about Project, which will replace the traffic light at that intersection. This measure arises from a traffic impact analysis that considered safety concerns and traffic generation related to the new middle school, as well as the eventual Robinhood Road interchange of the Northern Beltway.

Keep an eye on the Town's website for more information and schedules as we get closer. These, too, will be headaches, but we will all be better off once they are done. Y'all hang in there and remember it's all temporary!

Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee (ECSC)

At the end of May, ECSC members were invited to join Town staff in a visit to our Waste Management recycling facility. What an eye-opener! The mechanization to sort out single stream recycling is impressive, running safely and smoothly as long as we put only true recyclables into our bi-weekly bins. Lewisville was complimented on its good contamination record of only ten to fifteen percent. Sounds like a lot, but we're doing better than other municipalities and can still improve.

While we were there, we heard the machines stop because a piece of "wishful recycling" clogged the process. Bagged items, old water hoses, plastic toys, and large wads of bubble wrap or plastic film are among the items pulled out by hand *every day* because they stop the sorting

machines. Those items should go in the trash at home, not the recycling bin. We even saw a microwave that someone had sent to recycling. That kind of item should be brought to the yearly e-cycling events that our Town sponsors.

Please refer to the enclosed recycling guidelines poster. The top part shows what goes into curbside recycling and the bottom two-thirds are what you can save for our October 26 Special Recycling Event at Shallowford Square. And if you see a WM truck picking up trash or recycling, take a moment to shout "thank you!" to the driver. These workers perform a vital service for all of us. When we properly dispose of trash and sort out true recyclables, we have a safer, cleaner community.







Photos courtesy of Kay Smitherman



Don't Forget!

3RC EnviroStation is open to all Forsyth County residents for E-waste, as well as household hazardous waste



1401 South Martin Luther King Jr. Drive



336-784-4300

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

JULY 7 Annual Independence Day Celebration

The Union United Methodist Church is hosting a free cookout July 7 at 12:30 p.m. at 8935 Shallowford Rd. There will be hotdogs, hamburgers, and homemade desserts, followed by games, fellowship and live bluegrass music. Please bring your own yard chair. For more information, please contact unionumclewisville@gmail.com.

SATURDAYS 10 AM Lewisville Community Garden

The Lewisville United Methodist Church and Lewisville Community Assistance Program (LCAP) invite residents to help grow healthy produce to feed the community every Saturday at 10 a.m. This is behind the church at 6290 Shallowford Rd. Please contact alinac6296@gmail.com for more information.

JULY 8 LHS Membership Meeting

The Lewisville Historical Society invites the public to its Membership Meeting on July 8 at 6 p.m. at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center (7632 Warren Pk. Dr.) The program will be on a subject of interest in area history and will be announced later. Light refreshments will be available. Free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by the Lewisville Historical Society and the Lewisville Branch Library. For more information, please call 336-766-5842.

JUNE 1 - AUG 31 LHS Summer Sale Event

The Lewisville Historical Society will hold a Summer Sale for June, July, and August. Call or text Kathy Ewalt at 763-229-9114 if you're interested in the sale event or for more information.

Is your non-profit organization hosting a public event? LIST IT IN THE COMMUNITY CALENDAR!

Articles are accepted on a firstcome, first-served basis due to limited space. Editorial guidelines may apply.

DEADLINE: August 5

Submit your article to vleasure@lewisvillenc.net

Youth Programs: Storytime will be on hiatus until further notice. N.C. Zoo visits July 1 at 10 a.m. & noon. **Dungeons & Dragons for Teens** (ages 13-17 recommended) on July 1 & 15 and Aug 5 & 19 at 3 p.m. to learn or play D&D. Fairies, Triceratops & Tiaras Tea Party (ages 3-8) on July 5 at 2 p.m. (registration required). STEAM for Tweens (ages 8-12) on July 10 and Aug 14 at 4 p.m. to explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math (registration preferred). Builders' Club (ages 6-12) on July 17 and Aug 21 at 4p.m. using LEGOs, K'Nex, and more. Grey Historical Society Presents ... on Seal Puppet Show (all ages) on July 19 at 2 p.m. Shark Week July 22-26 crafts, movies, photo booth and more. Search & Find activity on July 22-27 (sharks) and Aug 19-23 (dogs). Take & Make Crafts for Kids on July 22-27 and Aug 5-9. Chess Club for Teens on July 31 and Aug 28 at 4 p.m.

Library News

Adult Programs: Yoga for Beginners on July 11 & 18 and Aug 1 & 15 at noon. Belly Dancing for Beginners on July 5 and Aug 2 at 11 a.m. Hook & Loop Group (needle crafts) on July 3 and Aug 7 at 11 a.m. Witchy Washi & Whatnot crafts on July 17 and Aug 21 at 10 a.m. (registration required). Color and Coffee on both July 12 & 26 and Aug 9 & 23 at 10 a.m. Tuesdavs at Two Book Club on July 2 and Aug 6 at 2 p.m. Books for Dudes Book Club on July 11 and Aug 8 at 6 p.m. Friends Book Club on July 23 and Aug 27 at 6:30 p.m. Lewisville July 8 at 6 p.m. (Mary Alice Warren Community Center).

Special Interest: Red Cross Blood Drive on July 10 from 10 a.m. until 3 p.m.(registration preferred). **Elder**care Series has classes on July 10 at 10 a.m. (Understanding Chronic Stress) (G. Galloway Reynolds Community

Center) and Aug 14 at 10 a.m. (Latelife Depression) with Geriatric Adult Specialty Team of Partners Health Management. Happiness How's: The science behind happiness and practical steps to increase it in your life! on July 9 at noon and Focaccia Bread Art on Aug 13 at noon (virtual viewings at the library). Paint & Pop acrylic painting class on July 15 at 5:30 p.m. (registration required).

Other: Family Films are on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. The annual Lewisville Branch Reading Contest runs until Dec 14. Summer Reading programs and activities from June 7 - July 26, including Shark Week movie marathon: July 24 at 2 p.m. and 5 p.m. and July 26 at 1 p.m. Family Game Night on Thursday, July 25 & Aug 22 at 6 p.m. Jigsaw Puzzle Competition on Aug 10 from 2 - 4 p.m.

Call the branch at 336-703-2940 for more information or to register for a program.

Have a Broken or Damaged Trash or Recyc Cart?

Contact Waste Management directly for cart repairs and replacements at 336-723-2784

Lewisville Civic Club To Host Its 17th Annual Charity Golf Tournament



The Lewisville Civic Club is planning its annual Charity Golft Tournament scheduled for Friday, August 16 at Salem Glen. This is a Captain's Choice Tournament which begins with a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Lunch will be provided by Jack Heard at 12 p.m. The tournament is limited to 120 players and the entry fee is \$85 per player. The entry fee includes the greens fees, cart, lunch, and a shirt.

This tournament is the primary fundraiser for the charitable programs of the Lewisville Civic Club. These charitiable programs include college scholarships, support for local Scout troops, and families in need.

There will be \$5,000 awarded to any player with a hole in one. Other prizes for the participants include: closest to the pin, longest drive, and \$1,800 in cash prizes for the first and second place teams in three fligths.

The Sponsors for this year's tournament include: Vienna Village Retirement Community, Security Undersriters, Blanco Tackabery, Hayworth-Miller Funderal Home, Southern Dental Associates,

Carolina Center for Eye Care, Moonlight Designs, Inc., Don Morris, Joyce Walker and family, John Beeler and family, Dr. Riccobene — Winston-Salem Dental Care, Jack Heard, Jane Welch and family, Kimono Japanese Restaurant, Historic Nissen House, Colt's Cooling, Scott Walker — Horizon Financial Services, Tom Lee, Lewisville Edward Jones, Sharon and Jay Cope, Jerry Farmer, Hunt Insurance Solutions, and other individual contributors.

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All entries and payments must be received by August 12

For more information and a golf application form, please visit lewisvillecivicclub.com or call Larry Morris at 336-945-9529.

Winter Art Show Announcement

The Public Art Advisory Committee is hosting a winter art show! The show will run from February 7, 2025 to April 7, 2025 featuring local artists at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center. Stay tuned for more information about the event and how to submit artwork

Town's social media accounts and on lewisvillenc.net/public-art.



Shallowford Square Improvements

How do you improve upon something that is already great? Join us on September 9 at Shallowford Square at 6 p.m. so we can share these ideas with you!

The Parks and Recreation Advisory Board, Public Art Advisory Committee, and Town staff will share information with the community about improvements happening at Shallowford Square to include an upgraded playground and a great opportunity to welcome public art to the area.

Shallowford Square is the heart of our community and we want to share all the exciting plans with our residents. We hope to see you on September 9 at 6 p.m.





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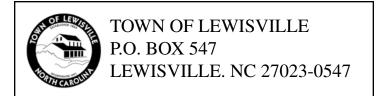
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TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE

TOWN COUNCIL

Town Council Briefing and Action Agenda Meeting is held the 1st Thursday of the month.

Town Council regular meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month.

Special Projects Review Committee meets the 1st Thursday of the month following the Council briefing, if needed.

BOARDS

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Development Board meets the 2nd Monday of the month, if needed.

Planning Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Willow Run Municipal Service District Board meets quarterly.

Zoning Board of Adjustment meets the 4th Tuesday, if there are cases to be heard.

COMMITTEES

Beautification Committee meets the 3rd Monday of the month.

Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Public Art Advisory Committee meets the 1st Monday of the month.

Unless otherwise noted, meeting times will be 6:00 p.m.

Please visit <u>www.lewisvillenc.net</u> to verify meeting times, dates, and locations.

Classes continue at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center

For a full class listing, visit <u>www.lewisville.recdesk.com</u> & click on classes For more info, visit <u>www.lewisvillenc.net/MAWCC</u>