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# Town to Host *Loving Life in Lewisville* Winter Art Show

The Public Art Advisory Committee is hosting the highly anticipated "Loving Life in Lewisville" winter art show, a vibrant celebration of creativity and innovation in the town at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center, 7632 Warren Park Dr.

There will be a reception open to the public for the show on February 7 at 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Come enjoy the artwork and even meet several of the artists at this event. Light refreshments will be served.

This exhibition will take place from February 7 to April 6, 2025, at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center. The public is encouraged to visit.

The "Loving Life in Lewisville" art show will feature local artists who

live, work, attend school, or conduct business regularly in the town.

This family-friendly exhibition has no required theme and invites artists to explore their creativity.

This art show reflects the Lewisville Public Art Advisory Committee's ongoing commitment to fostering a dynamic artistic community in the Town.

For more information about this event and other art news in Lewisville, please visit the Town's website at <u>lewisvillenc.net/art</u> or call Town Clerk Dora Moore at 336-945-1022.

Join us in celebrating the bound-less art and creativity of Lewisville!

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Visitors admire artwork at the 2024 winter art show

Mike Horn

### Shallowford Road Bridge Closure



Throughout my life. I've always tried to find ways to "make things better." I think this started when I was very young, standing in the kitchen watching my dad cook. He never used a recipe or a measuring cup or spoon. He would just sprinkle a little of this or that, add some more of something or the other, stir and let it simmer.

My favorite was his Texas Goulash. With just a little ground beef, onions (everything had onions) tomato sauce, spices, and macaroni, he made a concoction that I still can taste today.

When I left home for college in Key West, I shared cooking responsibilities with my roommate Steve. Oftentimes, it was a Burger King Whopper, fries, and a root beer, 99 cents back in the day. But occasionally, I would get motivated to approach the stove to, not just emulate my dad's cooking, but to try to make what he made, better.

My standby of course was my dad's Texas Goulash. In Key West making it better meant adding olives, red bell pepper, cilantro, and cumin and pouring it over black beans and yellow rice. I called it Cuban Goulash. The locals called it Picadillo.

Over the years, each time I've fixed one of my dad's dishes, I've tried to make it better than he did. Sometimes with success, sometimes not so much.

I share this experience with you because this proclivity of mine, trying to make things better, began when I was young and has been with me throughout my life.

That's one of the reasons I'm so at home in Lewisville. We are a town of folks who try to make things better for our community.

Our town volunteer commit-

tees and council. Our civic organizations. The Eagle Scouts and their community service projects. The businesses that invest in our community.

Our teachers and first responders. Our churches, neighborhood associations, and residents working together to make things better throughout our community.

And of course, our town staff who show up every day with one goal in mind... to try to make the quality of life better, for all of our residents.

We are so fortunate to live where we live. It's a privilege to be a part of Lewisville. That's why, in this new year, I'm asking each of you to make one resolution. Do something to make our community better. It doesn't matter how big or small. The important thing is that you give it a try.

My best wishes to you and your family for a wonderful and healthy New Year.



Like Mike on Facebook at Lewisville Mayor Mike Horn.

#### Karen Swart Honored with Town Award

The Town of Lewisville has presented the "I'm One of the Reasons Lewisville is a Great Place to Live" award to Karen Swart for her outstanding community leadership and involvement.

"I am truly honored to receive this award. I was completely surprised when Mayor Horn told me about it. I love living in the Pfafftown/Lewisville community. I have amazing neighbors and it's a great place to live." Swart said.

Swart and her husband first joined the Vienna Civic Club in 2005 as a way to meet their neighbors and be of service to the community. She then was elected President of the club in 2012 and has held that position ever since.



Karen Swart and Mavor Mike Horn

"Our club currently runs a handful of different fundraising events throughout the summer and then uses that money to provide scholarships to our local college students, support our Scouts, and provide benevolence to the community as needed," Swart said.

"We are so pleased to recognize Karen. [She] is one of the reasons Lewisville is a great place to live," Mayor Mike Horn said when presenting the award.

Swart accepted the award at the November Town Council meeting.



According to the North Carolina Department of Transportation (NCDOT), the Shallowford Road Bridge over US Highway 421 will be closed for several months due to a crash on Friday, December 6. This is until the bridge can be repaired.

The southbound ramp and northbound ramp to 421 are open. Drivers are encouraged to access 421 from Williams Road to avoid confusion. Please use Google Maps

and Waze for assistance, as they use NCDOT route updates and can provide the most convenient routes.

### 2025 Board and Committee Openings

Would you like to have a more active role in your community? Do vou have specific areas of interest or expertise in which the Town could use your talents? Serving on a Town-appointed board or committee may provide you with this opportunity. The Town is currently accepting applications for the board and committee positions noted below. Applications will be accepted through January 31, with appointments being made by the Town Council in March, 2025, and appointments effective April 1, 2025.

#### **Board Openings**

Three-year term Expiring 3/31/2028

- Planning Board (3 seats)
- Willow Run Municipal Service District Board (Area 3 and at-large)
- Zoning Board of Adjustment (1 seat)

- term
- Public Art Advisory Committee - three-year term (2 artists) (1 non-artist)

Visit lewisvillenc.net/boards-committees to apply! You can submit your application online, or you can download the form and send it to Town Clerk Dora Moore at townclerk@lewisvillenc.net or PO Box 547, Lewisville, NC 27023. If you have any questions, please contact Dora at 336-945-1022 or townclerk@lewisvillenc.net.

### **Jack Warren Park Updates**

The new additions to Jack Warren Park are ready to go!

In the spring we'll have a proper ribbon-cutting ceremony that will include the dedication of the Michael L. Horn Amphitheater and disc golf demonstrations, but in the meantime, if the "Construction Area" signs are down enjoy yourself! Test your skills on the 18hole "Ace Place" disc golf course

the quiet.

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#### **Committee Openings**

- Public Art Advisory Committee - two-vear
  - (3 artists) (1 non-artist)

- or get to know some trees as you stroll the 2000 feet of new nature trail. Perform a soliloguy from the stage, spot a dinosaur lurking in the bushes, or just sit and enjoy
- We'll continue to add site amenities such as benches and trash receptacles as staff time allows, but feel free to drop us a line with suggestions to make the space better.



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## **Submit Your Artwork for the Loving Life in Lewisville Winter Art Show**

IN LEWISVILLE

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Submit artwork at lewisvillenc.net/art

Submissions accepted until January 23 at 1 p.m.

This art show is open to all youth K-12 and adults who live, work, attend classes, or regularly do business in Lewisville.

Artists are invited to submit their works (up to two pieces per artist). Only electronic submissions will be considered.

While the show is named Loving Life in Lewisville, there is no required theme for artwork. All mediums, 2D & 3D, including photography, pottery, and fiber art will be considered. Jewelry, hanging objects (i.e. mobiles), and larger-scale sculptures are ineligible for this show. All works should be family-friendly. The full rules and requirements can be found on the submission form at lewisvillenc.net/art.

This will be a juried art show. Artists will be notified by Thursday, January 30 if their work is selected for the art show. Accepted artwork should be dropped off at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center on Wednesday, February 5 from 3-6 p.m. Artists can pick up their artwork after the exhibit on Monday, April 7 from 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Stay up-to-date by following the Town's social media accounts and checking the Town website.

We look forward to showcasing the amazing artwork of Lewisville and thank you for your submissions!

### **E-Cycling Event on January 18**

This year's E-Cycling Day event will be hosted by Waste Management for Lewisville residents on Saturday, January 18, 2025, from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. at Shallowford Square, 6555 Shallowford Road in Lewisville. Items accepted will include televisions, computers, any computer cables, computer mice, computer speakers, printers, scanners, floppy drives, optical media, external hard drives as well as cell phones and cell phone chargers. This is not an all-inclusive list. This free ecycling event is a great opportunity for Lewisville residents

to dispose of these types of items while recovering valuable resources and saving energy. Thank you for your participation and involvement in this event. More information can be found on the Town's website at lewisvillenc.net

### **Upcoming Town Survey**

Use your voice!

We're excited to announce that a digital resident survey will be available soon! This is your opportunity to share your thoughts, priorities, and feedback on key issues that shape our community. We are always looking to improve the resident experience and value your input. Help us plan for the future and address the needs of our town and residents.

Keep an eye on the next newsletter and the Town website for the survey link. Thank you for taking the time to help make our Town of Lewisville the best it can be!

#### 2024 Annual **Fitness Walk Winner**

Congratulations to resident Joel Cofer for winning the Town of Lewisville's 2024 Annual Fitness Walk! And thank you to everyone who participated in this year's walking event. It was another great year with a lot of steps and miles! This walk is sponsored by

the Town in an effort to promote an active and healthy lifestyle for all residents.



Joel Cofe

### **Environmental Conservation** & Sustainability Committee (ECSC)

We welcome the New Year with renewed energy to reach Lewisville's sustainability goals. Enclosed is the updated recycling poster. Please review it, so you can adjust your buying and recycling habits, send less to the landfill, and bring more to recycle on April 12th at the third Lewisville Earth Day/Special Recycling Event. Poster changes are due to some recycling programs being discontinued or not having enough participation. If you have saved items that were removed from the poster, don't give up. We continue to look for new recycling streams. For instance, Sephora at Thruway takes clean, empty cosmetic containers, as does Ulta. Staples also has a long list of items that it accepts such as school supplies and tech items.

Thanks to all who took time out of your busy lives to flatten cardboard and bring it to the Holiday Cardboard Recycling bins. And for bringing only cardboard! A special shout-out goes to Lewisville Elementary for allowing the Town to use their parking lot for this seasonal benefit.

Residents don't have to wait for special events to divest of excess packaging. Cardboard is accepted in our bi-weekly bins. If you have too much, flattened cardboard can go to the Waste Management drop off location at 6328 Yadkinville Rd (next to Vienna Fire Department) all year long. If those boxes came with rigid block Styrofoam pieces that you can't store until April (not foam peanuts), use the addresses below for 24-hour drop off. They also accept cardboard, and plastic bags and film. Styrofoam egg cartons still go to Publix.

Remember, less is more. The less trash and recycling we create, the more we support our environment. Even the smallest changes we make add up over time.

#### Let's all make 2025 the Year for the Environment!

Tiny House-Hope Center/ 360 West Gate Blvd/ Greensboro, NC High Point Public Library/ 901 N. Main St./ High Point, NC Reconsidered Goods/ 4118 Spring Garden St./ Greensboro, NC

For a complete list, visit lewisvillenc.net

### Christmas Tree Pickup — January 13

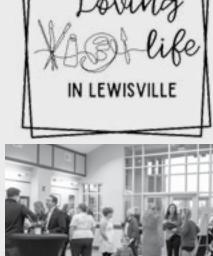


Christmas tree removal begins on January 13. Please remove lights and decorations before placing trees curbside by 6 a.m. that day. There will only be one pass through town to collect trees, so mark your calendars!

#### From the Desk of Jon Hanna Slow Your Roll, Speedy

As we introduce a new column this month that highlights our public safety programs, I thought it would be smart to stick with that theme and maybe ask a couple questions. Are you growing more frustrated lately with perceived speeders or cut-through traffic in your neighborhood? Do you wish there was a way to get the Town to pay attention to your concerns and possibly doing something about it? Well, you're in luck! Recently, Town staff reviewed and updated our Traffic Mitigation Policy with the goal of streamlining the

process and making it more user friendly. After several weeks of work and much feedback from Town Council, we have approved and posted the new policy. It can be found on the Town website under the Public Safety tab. With a few clearly designed steps, Lewisville residents can initiate a traffic study to help determine whether a site can qualify for a range of traffic calming techniques. We have reduced some of the barriers that have historically kept safety measures from being instituted, while retaining some of the procedures



#### Lewisville Safety Welcome

Welcome to the public safety-focused column, Lewisville Safety.

This column will be a space to learn more about the sergeant and deputies serving Lewisville, safety tips, emergency preparedness, and community updates.

For the deputy backgrounds, we hope to not only introduce readers to our public safety members but to showcase who they are outside of their profession. This will be a great opportunity to learn more about the team that is responsible for the Town's safety.

This will also be a space to address topics that are relevant to our residents; whether that's educational information or timely updates. Being able to communicate with residents is an important part of serving the Town and making the community of Lewisville safer.

Public safety impacts everyone. So, let's stay informed — and stay safe!

Lewisville's Finest Sgt. P. J. Stringer **Deputy Daxton Bodenheimer** Deputy Eric Hammonds **Deputy Ethan Goings Deputy Alexander O'Shields** Deputy John "Cody" Stephens **Deputy Ryan Tomlinson** 

that ensure many voices are heard.

Also, to aid in the modernization of this process, the Town has purchased a new speed trailer to replace our 20-year-old dinosaur. This new equipment not only looks like it was built in this century, it allows us to collect the sitespecific data relating to trip counts and vehicle speeds that we will need to verify whether a concern warrants intervention. Have trailer, will travel — so let us know if this baby needs to make a visit to your neighborhood.

Lewisville Civic Club

**Annual Scholarship** 

The Lewisville Civic Club will be

accepting scholarship applica-

tions from graduating high school

seniors until March 28. Three

leadership scholarships, each in

the amount of \$1,500, are provid-

ed to recognize graduating high

school seniors who have distin-

quished themselves in leadership

#### January – February 2025

### **Upcoming CPR Class**

The Lewisville Fire Department and Town will have a The Town of Lewisville is partnering with the American CPR class at the Mary Alice Warren Community Cen-Red Cross to host a blood drive on Wednesday. Febter on Saturday, February 8 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. ruary 12 from 1-5:30 p.m. at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center, located at 7632 Warren Park Dr., Learn lifesaving skills Lewisville. Donate blood. Save lives.



from the experts who use these techniques.

Minors under 18 years old must be registered by a parent or quardian and supply an emergency contact phone number. Children under the age of 12 must be accompanied by a parent or quardian during the class.

### Winter Weather Preparedness

Here are several helpful tips selected by Lewisvil Fire Department Chief Darin Needham and Assistan Chief Jesse Levy to stay safe during colder weather

- Keep flammable objects at least three feet from all heat sources
- Never use an oven to heat your home
- Turn space heaters off when leaving the roo or going to bed
- Never use candles for emergency lighting. Us flashlights and stock up on extra batteries
- Use surge protectors and consider unpluggin appliances. Connect appliances to portabl generators with heavy-duty extension cords
- Don't fuel your generator when it is running

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## **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

#### **JANUARY 13 Historic Richmond Hill: "The** Last Place in the Universe"

The Lewisville Historical Society invites the public to Historic Richmond Hill: "The Last Place in the Universe" presented by Greg Cheek on Monday, January 13 at 6 p.m. at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center, 7632 Warren Park Dr., Lewisville, Cheek, Chair of Richmond Hill Law School Commission, will tell the story and the history of Richmond Mumford Pearson's mid-nineteenth-century house and his law school, which was located in Yadkin County. Light refreshments will be served. Free and open to the public. This event is co-sponsored by the Lewisville Branch Library. For more information, call 336-766-5842.

#### **FEBRUARY 16**

The Hoppers Gospel Group at Lewisville Baptist Church

The Lewisville Baptist Church invites you to see the Hoppers Gospel Group live in concert on Sunday, February 16 at 6 p.m. at 125 Lewisville-Clemmons Rd, Lewisville. This multi-award winning family group have been singing to audiences all over the world for over 60 years! Come listen to their unique blend of harmonics and incredible talent.



and volunteer service to the Town of Lewisville. Club/organization and school activities, as well as academic success, are reviewed as part of the selection process. Financial need may be considered as a factor in considering scholarship awards. Applications are required and online applications are preferred. The top candidates selected must participate in an interview with the Lewisville Scholarship Committee. Seniors from any public or private school in Forsyth County are eligible. For more information, visit Lewisville Civic Club's website at www.lewisvillecivicclub.com.

### **Library News**

All Forsyth County Public Libraries will be **closed** on:

- Wednesday, Jan. 1 to celebrate New Year's Day
- Monday, Jan. 20 to celebrate Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday

Youth Programs: Book Babies on Mondays at 9:30 a.m. Toddler Time on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. Preschool Storytime on Tuesdays at 10 a.m. D&D for Teens (ages 12-17) on Jan. 2 & 16 and Feb. 3 7 17 at 4 p.m. STEAM for Tweens (ages 8-12) on January 14 and Feb 26 at 4:30 p.m. to explore science, technology, engineering, art, and math (registration preferred by not required). Builders' Club (ages 6-12) on Jan. 15 and Feb. 19 at 4 p.m. using LEGOs, K'Nex, and more. Make & Take Crafts for Kids on Jan. 6-11 and Feb. 3-8. Search & Find activity on Jan 20-25 and Feb. 17-22.

Youth Special Interest: We Want Snow! on Jan. 2 at 2 p.m. Ultimate Dog Man Adventure on Jan. 25 at 2pm.

Adult Programs: Yoga for Beginners on Jan. 2 & 16 and Feb. 6 & 20 at noon. Belly Dancing for Beginners on Jan. 3 and Feb. 7 at 11 a.m. Tuesdays at Two Book Club on Jan. 7 and Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. Books for Dudes Book Club on Jan. 9 and Feb. 13 at 6 p.m. Color and Coffee on Jan. 10 & 24 and Feb. 14 & 28 at 10 a.m. Lewisville Historical Society Presents ... Historic **Richmond Hill: "The Last Place** in the Universe" on Jan. 13 at 6 p.m. (Mary Alice Warren Community Center). Witchy Washi & Whatnot Crafting on Jan. 15 & Feb. 19 at 10 a.m. (registration required). Hook & Loop Group (needle crafts) on Feb. 5 at 11 a.m.

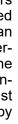
Special Interest: Computer Training Bridge Series has a class on Jan. 22 at 1 p.m. (Google Docs 101) (registration required). Maternal Mental Health is on Jan. 11 from 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. (registration required). Personal Finance Series: **Disasters - Financial Prepara**tion & Recovery is on Jan. 13 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Circulate the Love Blood Drive on Feb. 26 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m.

Other: Family Films are on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. (cancelled in January due to holiday). The annual Lewisville Branch Reading Contest runs until Dec. 13.

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

### **Blood Donors Needed**

Register to be a donor at lewisvillenc.net/blooddrive or call 1-800-733-2767.





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om se ng ole	<b>LEWISVILLE C</b> Sign up with Lewisville Connect to receive important information from the Town!		

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Interested in joining a Board or Committee? Email: townclerk@ lewisvillenc.net



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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.

#### **BOARDS**

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**

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

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.

### Mary Alice Warren Community Center Programming Continues

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>