



# Lewisville Citizen

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### New Year's Holiday Town Hall Closed

Monday, Jan. 2, 2023

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### Martin Luther King Jr. Day Town Hall Closed

Monday, January 16

**NO** Trash or Recycling Delays

### Christmas Tree Collection

Monday, January 9

\*See Pg. 5 for more information

### Board & Committee Vacancies Application Deadline

Friday, January 27

\*See Pg. 4 for more information

### Lewisville Earth Day

**SAVE THE DATE:** Saturday, April 29



### THE HOLIDAYS IN LEWISVILLE

The annual Christmas Tree Lighting and Parade were a great success again this year. Thanks to all who came out for the festivities.

## Classes Continue at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center

For a Full Class Listing, Visit  
<https://lewisville.recdesk.com>  
& Click on Classes

For more info, Visit  
[www.LewisvilleNC.net](http://www.LewisvilleNC.net)

## Town Forms Public Art Advisory Committee

Have a love for art? Interested in volunteering for your Town? The Town of Lewisville has an opportunity just for you. The Town recently established a new advisory committee focused on Public Art.

Town officials decided to form the committee after receiving inquiries about displaying art at the Mary Alice Warren Community

Center (MAWCC). Lewisville Town Council directed staff to research the potential establishment of an art advisory committee.

While researching the potential formation of an advisory committee, staff recognized the Town currently has public outdoor art (dinosaurs and an ostrich at MAWCC) and

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# *From Your Mayor* **A Better We**



**Mike Horn**

In just a few months, I will enter my 70th year of life. And with that comes a deepening realization that the time ahead of me is far less than that through which I've already passed. It's a sobering reminder of how precious every minute I have remaining will be.

I'm not trying to be morose here, just acknowledging an inescapable fact of life that we all share.

However, this year one question emerges that seems more urgent to me than in years past. A question that maybe doesn't have a definitive answer but is certainly highly worthy of serious consideration.

That question: *Am I the best person I can be?*

That's a very complicated question with a multitude of possible answers. *Have I been the best I can be with my family? Have I done my best to contribute to my community in a meaningful lasting way? Have I demonstrated all the kindness and compassion to others that is within my capacity? Have I respected this amazing planet home and done my best to protect it for future generations? Have I honored each minute that I have been given here by putting forth my best efforts in life?*

I've been so fortunate to have known so many people of great accomplishment over the years. Folks of wonderful compassion, extraordinary generosity, staggering intellect and impeccable honesty and integrity. Many of them right here in our little town. Folks who strive not only to find the best in themselves but are an inspiration for the rest of us to seek the best in ourselves.

I know there is a tendency as we age, particularly after we retire, to become comfortable, maybe complacent, by who we have become or who we perceive ourselves to be.

It's that complacency that frightens me. Have we found the finish line? Do we actually arrive at a time in life when we no longer seek to find a better "us" or do we just run out of energy and desire to do so?

It's estimated that the universe is nearly 14 billion years old. And our existence is but a few years. Does that make us inconsequential in the larger scheme of things? I don't think so. I think it means that we need to make the most of the time we have, in whatever ways we are capable.

I am certainly comfortable with my spirituality, but this is more than waiting for whatever peace awaits me in the hereafter. It's about the now, the present and how I can make this time as meaningful as possible.

Abraham Lincoln said, *"I do the very best I know how, the very best I can, and I mean to keep on doing so until the end."*

Obviously, finding an answer for my question is elusive. I just know that it will be my ambition and commitment, for whatever remaining time I am allowed to have, to continue to find ways in which I can be a better me. How about you?

My sincere wishes for a healthy and happy New Year.  
*As always, I welcome your comments.*

*Mike Horn*  
Mayor Mike Horn

*Like Mike on Facebook at Lewisville Mayor Mike Horn.*

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		Jeffrey Rawls Willow Run MSD	
		Kenneth Wernick Zoning Board of Adjustment	
			<b>Interested in joining a Board or Committee?</b>
			<b>Email: <a href="mailto:townclerk@LewisvilleNC.net">townclerk@LewisvilleNC.net</a></b>

# In Case You Missed It: Ayers Named New Town Manager

James Ayers was selected unanimously by the Lewisville Town Council to serve as the next Town Manager. He started his new position on November 1, 2022. Ayers has served in the public sector since 2008, including roles as Town Manager (Manteo, NC), Assistant Town Manager and Director of Engineering & Public Works (Bluffton, SC), and Department Director (Foothills Regional Commission and City of Asheville, NC). Prior to that, Ayers worked in private industry, including more than



**AYERS**

15 years in real estate development and construction project management.

Ayers earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Vanderbilt University, with a double major in engineering science and economics. He also has a Master of Science degree in administration from Central Michigan University. Ayers is a graduate of the Municipal & County Administration program and the Public Executive Leadership Academy at the School of Government at UNC-Chapel Hill, the Senior Executive Institute at the University of Virginia, and the International City/County Management Association's Leadership ICMA program. Ayers also holds the designation as an ICMA Credentialed Manager (ICMA-CM) from the International City/County Management Association.

## BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE NOTES

### New Pollinator Garden at Jack Warren Park

The next time you begin a walk on the trail at Jack Warren Park, look to the left and notice the beginnings of a new Pollinator Garden planted by members of the Lewisville Beautification Committee plus one community volunteer. Mostly dormant for now, the plants were selected for their value in supporting pollinators... birds, bats, butterflies, hummingbirds, moths, flies, beetles, wasps, small mammals and, most importantly, bees! Particular focus was put on using native plants.

You are encouraged to follow pollinator friendly practices as well! Eliminate the use of chemicals, plant pollinator friendly annuals and perennials, reduce the frequency of mowing your lawn and... maybe even mix some low-growing clover seed in with your grass seed next Spring!



**SUBMITTED PHOTO**

Lewisville Beautification Committee Members (from left) Susan Linker, Holli Conger, Bernice Perzel, Carolyn Fulton, Ellen Lee, and Cynthia Kiger recently began construction of a new Pollinator Garden at Jack Warren Park.

## TOWN HALL HOLIDAY SCHEDULE



### Lewisville Town Hall Will Be Closed

MONDAY, JAN. 2 FOR THE NEW YEARS DAY HOLIDAY  
& MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY, MONDAY, JANUARY 16

**2023**

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE VACANCIES**  
**UPCOMING VACANCIES AS OF 3-31-2023**

**BOARDS**

**PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURAL DEVELOPMENT BOARD** .....2 vacancies

Meets once a month on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall

**PLANNING BOARD** .....2 vacancies

Meets once a month on the 2nd Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., Room 110 at Town Hall

Meets once a month on the 4th Wednesday at 6:30 p.m., Room 201 at Town Hall

**WILLOW RUN MUNICIPAL SERVICE DISTRICT**

(Must live in either Runnymede or Willowmede sub-divisions) ..... 1 vacancy - Area 5  
.....1 vacancy - At Large

Meets once quarterly on the 3rd Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall

**ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT** ..... 4 vacancies

Meets once a month on the 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. at Town Hall Room 110  
and only if there is a case to be heard. This is a quasi-judicial board.

..... **ALL APPOINTMENTS FOR BOARDS ARE FOR 3 YEARS** .....

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS NEEDED FOR PUBLIC ART** .....5 vacancies

**ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS ARE APPOINTED/REAPPOINTED FOR TWO (2) YEARS**

*FOR QUESTIONS, CALL LEWISVILLE TOWN CLERK AT: 336-945-1022*

**FOR AN APPLICATION** please go to the Town’s website,  
[www.lewisvillenc.net/How Do I/Apply For/Boards and Committees](http://www.lewisvillenc.net/How%20Do%20I/Apply%20For/Boards%20and%20Committees),  
for a form to apply.

**THE APPLICATION CAN BE:**

**EMAILED TO:** ..... townclerk@lewisvillenc.net or

**SENT VIA MAIL TO:** ..... Town Clerk  
Town of Lewisville  
PO Box 547  
Lewisville, NC 27023 or

**IN PERSON:** ..... 6510 Shallowford Road, Lewisville, NC

**DEADLINE:** ..... January 27, 2023



Visit <https://lewisvillenc.net/boards-committees> to learn more about our Boards & Committees.



FILE PHOTO

During the December Town Council Regular Meeting, the Town recognized Town Attorney Bo Houff for his nearly 30 years of service (1994-2022) to the Town of Lewisville. Houff retired from his position as Town Attorney on December 31, 2022. The plaque presented to Houff read, "The Lewisville Town Council Recognizes Bowen C. (Bo) Houff for his wise counsel, extraordinary community support, profound friendship and the many contributions he has made to help Lewisville distinguish itself as one of the most outstanding towns in North Carolina."

## Deputy Galbreath Joins Community Policing Program

Residents may have noticed a new face patrolling the streets of Lewisville the past few months. The Town's Community Policing program welcomed Deputy Dimitri Galbreath.

Deputy Galbreath said she is excited to serve the Town of Lewisville.

"I look forward to serving the citizens of Lewisville in a way that is positive and hope to further bridge law enforcement and the community together," she said. "My experience has been positive with the Town Hall staff, citizens, and businesses of this Town."

A native of Red Springs, North Carolina, Deputy Galbreath said she also enjoys the small size feel of Lewisville.

"It mirrors my hometown," Deputy Galbreath said. "I look forward to work with each and all of you."



**GALBREATH**

With 13.5 years in law enforcement, Deputy Galbreath has been employed with the Forsyth County Sheriff's Office since 2019. She began her career working with the Winston-Salem Police Department from 2009 to 2019.

In 2007, Deputy Galbreath graduated from Albany State University, in Albany, Ga., where she earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Forensic Science. Deputy Galbreath is currently pursuing a Master of Science degree in Forensic Science.

## Christmas Tree Removal Set for Monday, Jan. 9

An important holiday recycling collection is this year's Christmas tree removal, which is on Monday, January 9, 2023.

Only natural trees with all ornaments, lights, wires,

tinsel, or other items removed will be collected. Trees should be placed curb side by 6 a.m. on that day to ensure pick up. There will be only one pass through Town to collect the trees.

### ART

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noted the need for a more expansive committee. Once obtaining further direction from Town Council, a draft ordinance to establish a Public Art Advisory Committee (PAAC) as a standalone committee was developed by staff and approved by the Town Council in November 2022.

The ordinance includes an application to place artwork on Town property; policies and procedures for art donations, loans, and exhibitions on public property; and a PAAC

application.

The mission of the PAAC is to suggest and recommend actions pertaining to the acquisition, loan, placement, maintenance, display, and/or disposal of the Town's public artworks. The PAAC shall consult with and advise Town staff and Council in matters affecting public art policies, resources, and acquisitions related to the total Town public arts program.

**The definition of public art is:**

a. Photography, paintings, sculptures, murals, pottery, ceramics, tapestry, fabric and other media.

b. Visually and physically accessible to community

c. Indoor or outdoor

d. Temporary or permanent

The PAAC will be comprised of five members, with those with an art background given preference. Examples of art professionals include, but are not limited to: visual arts, art nonprofit workers, design professionals, and other professions in visual arts.

To apply for the PAAC, visit <https://lewisvillenc.net/public-art-advisory-committee>.

## Mary Alice Warren Community Center Updates

# Shallow Ford Foundation 2023 Grant Awards for Programming at the MAWCC

The Shallow Ford Foundation recently announced the 2023 Grant Awards for Programming at MAWCC. More details and scheduling information will be released in the future.

### Reynolda House

Reynolda will offer its signature Discovery Lessons for young children, ages 3-5, and their caregivers. Children will enjoy hands-on art activities while making connections to works of art in Reynolda's collection.

### Arts Council of Winston-Salem & Forsyth County

A variety of free arts programming including hands-on visual art classes and workshops led by professional art instructors.

### Cancer Services, Inc.

A series of Well Beyond Cancer Workshops in 2023. These sessions will have a combination of a healing art activity, wellness education programs and survivorship social connections.

### Salem Band

This concert program will offer a beginner/intermediate swing dance lesson with dance instructors The Cat's Pajamas from the Piedmont Swing Dance Society with music by Salem Swing Band - swing-era music for slow and fast swing dancing or just listening. An additional swing dance, without lessons, is also being planned for 2023.

### Yadkin Arts Council, Inc.

The Yadkin Arts Council's "Art A La Carte Experience" is a weeklong series of an assortment of art classes taught by the Yadkin Arts Council Artist Members. These "sampler sessions" of low-cost art experiences will offer attendees the opportunity to explore their creative outlets by trying out different art mediums. Each session will run 2 to 3 hours and all supplies will be provided.

### 40+ Stage Company

Two programs will be offered in 2023: one will provide an introduction to the basic skills required to audition successfully for an acting role in community theater. The course will consist of six two-hour sessions presented weekly during which participants will be asked to prepare readings of monologues from well-known plays for presentation to the class.

The second, the *Your Best Shot* seminar, is a workshop designed to help students hone their skills on stage, at the podium, in the conference room, or any time in front of a group. Participants will explore the psychology and physiology of creating and sustaining an energetic presence in performance. Class work will include exercises, group discussion, individual dramatic readings, and ensemble work. Some previous on stage or public speaking experience is preferable.

To receive the monthly email listing, contact Brian Moore at [bmoore@lewisvillenc.net](mailto:bmoore@lewisvillenc.net) or call 336-866-0525.

## Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee News

# Save the Date for Lewisville Earth Day: April 29

We welcome 2023 by thanking those of you who took advantage of the recycling opportunities the Town offered in 2022. Get ready for more! Although winter just arrived, we're asking you to flip those new calendars to spring and save April 29, 2023 for the first Lewisville Earth Day (LED) celebration. The LED, a convenient reminder to use LED bulbs to conserve energy, will coincide with our Special Recycling event on David McKee Street (adjacent to Shallowford Square). You'll be able to bring us non-curb-side recyclables and TerraCycle items as part of the ECSC event, visit various environmental vendors with Earth Day knowledge, and pick up a free LED lightbulb. There will be snow cones and music, too! More details will be in the March/ April newsletter, but for now, mark your calendars and continue saving those special recycling items! Not sure what to save? Search for "recycling guidelines" on the Town's website.

The ECSC asks our residents to continue the good work you're doing with bi-weekly curbside pickup.

Remember that clean #5 tubs (such as sour cream and yogurt tubs) are now accepted curbside! According to a Waste Management Recycling Tonnage Report, approximately 92% of what's collected in Lewisville is able to be recycled. This means that ~8% cannot be recycled due to contamination. One way for our community to decrease contamination is to ensure the following such items are NOT in the recycle bin: peanut butter, mayo, and cooking oil containers or greasy pizza box bottoms. These items contaminate the stream and make it impossible to recycle the good stuff. Check the Town's website ([lewisvillenc.net](http://lewisvillenc.net)) under Public Works/ Solid Waste and Recycling if you're not sure. Waste Management, the Town's collector, has four videos on this site, including one about contamination. It's under two minutes long, and worth your time.

Remember to put your real trees out by January 9, and thanks!

~ ECSC Members

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# COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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**JANUARY 1 - 31*****Winter Photo Booth***

During the month of January, stop by the Lewisville Branch Library and get silly with their winter photo booth. There are wintery props available to make your photos unique.

**JANUARY 6 - FEBRUARY 10*****Give-a-Kid-a-Coat Drive***

You may drop off a coat from Jan. 6 through Feb. 10 at the Lewisville Branch Library and Library staff will take it to A Cleaner World. A Cleaner World will make minor repairs, clean the coats, and then send them to The Salvation Army for distribution to those in need.

**JANUARY 9*****Lewisville Historical Society Meeting***

The Lewisville Historical Society invites the public to attend a Lewisville Historical Society Membership Meeting at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center (7632 Warren Park Drive, Lewisville, NC) at 6 p.m. on Monday, January 9, 2023 to enjoy a program presented by Marcia Phillips of the Davie County Public Library History Room. Phillips will be doing a presentation on her new book, *Historic Shallow Ford in Yadkin Valley* and will have copies for sale. Light refreshments will be available. Free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by the Lewisville Historical Society and the Lewisville Branch Library. Please call 336-766-5842 for more information.

**JANUARY 10*****Creating Family Recipe Books***

The Lewisville Branch Library will host a class presenting a new approach to family history by documenting your family's recipes at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, January 10. You could gather them for family gifts, incorporate them into a family history, or even start a blog. Grace May, special collections librarian from the North Carolina Collection, will be at the Lewisville Branch to show you how to start your project, provide examples of family recipe books, and talk about the variety of recipes that can be included and how to preserve them. Registration is encouraged. To register, email Sue at [deguzmse@forsyth.cc](mailto:deguzmse@forsyth.cc) or call the branch at 336-703-2940.

**JANUARY 11*****Time for a Great Getaway Series – Make Summer Travel Plans Now***

Join local traveler Gale Adouli as she shares her travel expertise in this fourth session that focuses on the advantages of planning far in advance at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 11 at the Lewisville Branch Library Auditorium. Participants will also learn about the benefits of tours, including some particular destinations of interest, and more. Registration is encouraged. To register, email Sue at [deguzmse@forsyth.cc](mailto:deguzmse@forsyth.cc) or call the branch at 336-703-2940.

**JANUARY 14*****Family Film Marathon***

The Lewisville Branch Library will host a family film marathon focusing on Yetis at 11 a.m. on January 14 in the Auditorium. All ages are welcome. Family friendly. Call the branch at 336-703-2940 for movie details.

**JANUARY 14 - 20*****Crafts-To-Go: Yeti Magnets***

In honor of our Yeti movie marathon, the Lewisville Branch Library will have Yeti magnet kits for our movie-goers to create (*while supplies last*). Can't attend the marathon? No problem. Visitors can stop by the branch during the week of Jan. 16 and pick up a kit, while supplies last. Want to share your creations on social media? Email a photo to Raegen at [luntzra@forsyth.cc](mailto:luntzra@forsyth.cc) and she will post it to the Forsyth County Public Library social media page.

**JANUARY 17*****Gardening Series: Secrets of Succulents***

Succulents are popping up in stores everywhere and promise a delightful experience as a container plant. What's their appeal? Join this class at the Lewisville Branch Library Auditorium at 2 p.m. on January 17 to learn from Betty Ann Faulkner, a long-time area gardener, who will teach about the secrets of successful growth, what blooms and many other interesting facts. Beware, you may be bitten by the succulent bug! Registration is encouraged. To register or for more information, email Sue at [deguzmse@forsyth.cc](mailto:deguzmse@forsyth.cc) or call the Lewisville Branch at 336-703-2940.

The series also includes:

- Saturday, Feb. 11 – Gardening for Newbies

**JANUARY 17*****Acrylic Pouring Art Class***

Paint at the Lewisville Branch Library at 10 a.m. on Friday, January 20 in the Auditorium using the technique of acrylic pouring. Local artist and instructor Amy Guerrini returns to demonstrate this unique technique and help participants create their own work of art. Paint supplies will be provided. Registration is required as class size and supplies are limited to 12 participants. A wait list will be kept. Those on the wait list from the November class will be given a first chance to re-register. As well, priority will also be given to those who have not taken the class before. To register, email Sue at [deguzmse@forsyth.cc](mailto:deguzmse@forsyth.cc) or call the library at 336-407-2940.

**FEBRUARY 8*****Red Cross Blood Donation***

Share the love by donating blood! February is the month of love. What better way to show love for our neighbors than by giving them the gift of life. The American Red Cross will be on-site at the Lewisville Branch Library Auditorium from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8. Appointments are preferred, but walk-ins are welcome.



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## TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE

### TOWN COUNCIL

*Town Council Briefing and Action Agenda Meeting is held the 1st Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m.*

*Town Council meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.*

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

### BOARDS

*Parks, Recreation & Cultural Development Board meets the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m.*

*Planning Board meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.*

*Planning Board Work Sessions are the 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.*

*Willow Run Municipal Service District Board meets quarterly at 6:30 p.m.*

*Zoning Board of Adjustment meets the 4th Tuesday at 6:30 p.m., if there are cases to be heard.*

### COMMITTEES

*Beautification Committee meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m.*

*Public Safety Advisory Committee meets the 1st Tuesday of the month at 5:30 p.m.*

*Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m.*

***\*Meeting times are subject to change, so please visit  
[www.LewisvilleNC.net](http://www.LewisvilleNC.net) to verify meeting dates, times and locations.***