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 Check us out on
social media and
be sure to follow
or like us!

 Instagram

Character can not be developed in ease and quiet. Only through experience of trial and suffering can the soul be strengthened, ambition inspired, and success achieved.

- Helen Keller

Garden Spot News

April 2020

Got Mulch?

The Town's Public Works Department will be delivering leaf mulch the week of April 20 through April 24 to Town residents.

Deadline to sign up is Thursday, April 16 (first-come, first-serve basis).

In order to receive mulch, residents need to:

1. Complete a waiver and pick up a yard stake (waiver allows Town employees and equipment onto your property and releases Town of any liability). **No need to complete a waiver this year if you did last year.** Waivers can be printed [here](#) and dropped off at Town Hall. You can place waivers in our outside drop box and pick up yard stakes by the front doors.
2. Place your stake in your yard where you would like your mulch delivered.

Town employees will deliver the mulch sometime between April 20-24, weather permitting. We will contact you if there is an issue delivering your mulch. (Please make sure we have the best daytime contact number to reach you.)

Should weather delay delivery, the Town will deliver mulch as soon as possible after weather conditions improve.

Mulch will NOT be available or delivered after this designated time period.



On Friday, April 10 at 10 AM we will have an EGG-STRA special event with Easter eggs dropped by a helicopter onto the ball field at Covington Park. This free, family-friendly event is sponsored by the Town of Rural Hall, Rural Hall Lifespan Center and Rural Hall National Women of Achievement. Partnering with us on this endeavor are

Jefferson Christian Church and Stewards Chapel AME Zion Church.

There will only be one drop. Participants need to be in designated areas by 10 AM! As a safety measure, participants will not be allowed onto the ball field until after the eggs have dropped and the helicopter lifted. Spectators are welcome!

The Town of Rural Hall is continuously monitoring the impact of COVID-19 as well as CDC recommendations and government regulations. In the event the Easter Egg Drop has to be cancelled, it will be rescheduled for a later date. Please stay tuned to our website, social media, email alerts, and future publications for updates!



Rural Hall Moravian Church located at 7939 Broad Street will host a National Day of Prayer (NDP) Service on Thursday, May 7 at Noon. Local area churches come together for this annual event to pray together for our nation. The community is invited to this event and a light lunch will follow the service in the fellowship hall. The NDP exists to mobilize unified public prayer for America. Don't miss this local opportunity to take part in this event.

There is now a **Cashpoints ATM** available at Town Hall (located at 423 Bethania-Rural Hall Road). Access to the ATM is via Pine Street. Just follow the signs and markings.



Thank you to the **State Employees Credit Union** for installing this in our community.

Rural Hall Fire Department

Open Burning Policies: Open burning is **NOT** allowed in the Town of Rural Hall for any reason. The Town of Rural Hall provides services to pick up yard waste. For residents who live in Forsyth County and not in an incorporated area, open burning is allowed for yard waste. Always make sure your garden hose is accessible and stay with your fire as it is burning—do not leave it unattended. Visit http://forsyth.cc/EAP/burning_main.aspx for burning information and guidelines. It is against the law to burn anything other than vegetation. If questions or for more information, contact Forsyth County Environmental Assistance and Protection at (336) 703-2440, Forsyth County Fire Department at (336) 703-2550, or Rural Hall Fire Department at (336) 969-9171.

Smoke Alarms: The general rule of thumb is to change batteries in your smoke alarms when the time changes. If you didn't change your batteries recently when daylight savings time began, be sure you do! If your smoke alarm is over 10 years old, it should be replaced. Visit this link for more safety tips and facts from the nfpa.org: <https://www.nfpa.org/~media/files/public-education/resources/safety-tip-sheets/smokealarms.pdf>

TORH Public Works Department

***** Please note: Bulk items/white goods service has been temporarily suspended due to COVID-19 until further notice. *****

The Town of Rural Hall provides the following pickup services on Tuesdays: **brush and limbs, bulk items/white goods, yard waste carts, and leaves (October through spring)**. You can view our service guidelines at www.ruralhall.com.

You do NOT need to contact our office to let us know you have items at the curb (unless you live on a private drive). Our Public Works Department will service residents on Tuesdays, starting early morning. We recommend you have items at the curb by Monday night. If we do not service your items, please let us know. Feel free to contact our office at (336) 969-6856 or townhall@ruralhall.com if questions.

Garden Club News



Members of the Rural Hall Garden Club come from varied backgrounds, but share common interests in gardening, community service, and fellowship... not necessarily in that order.

The Garden Club generally meets the fourth Monday evening of each month. The April program will be held **Monday, April 27 at 7 PM at Nazareth Lutheran Church** located at 460 Bethania-Rural Hall Road (subject to change). **Lindsey Gallins will be discussing compost and its horticultural benefits and how the Gallins Family Farm created their business Carolina Dynamite, offering a clean, reliable solution for recycling food waste into compost.** They will have product for purchase.

Refreshments and a business meeting will follow the program. We encourage anyone with an interest in gardening, regardless of experience, to attend and find out what we do. You do not have to be a Rural Hall resident. **Note: If the meeting is changed/cancelled due to COVID-19, an update will be sent out through the Garden Club's office.*

For more information, contact Ed Deal (336) 985-5354 or Carol DeVries (336) 642-4240.

Rural Hall Senior Citizens Club (for ages 60 and up)

This organization is for seniors ages 60 and up. Please join them for fun and fellowship and meet some new faces. Monthly meetings are on hold until it is safe to resume meeting, but in the meantime here is what you need to know about the Rural Hall Senior Citizens Club:

- Meet first Tuesday of the month, 11:30 AM—1:30 PM at Kingswood United Methodist Church (parking around back of church)
- Bring a covered dish, dessert or refreshment of your choice (first-time guests not required to bring anything)
- Dues: \$1 per month
- Get together and have a good time, play games, have entertainment such as music or singing, etc.
- For more information or questions, contact: Penny Dixon at (336) 934-6523

Waste Management Recycling

Recycling Dates Highlighted Below
Recycling every other Tuesday
Garbage every Tuesday

April 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

May 2020						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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Rural Hall Historic Train Depot & Railroad Museum

The Rural Hall Historic Train Depot and Railroad Museum will hold its first Open House of 2020 on **Saturday, April 18 from 11 AM – 1 PM**.

They will be showing off the Depot as well as popping popcorn and watching The Great Train Robbery (silent film from 1903) every half hour.

Admission is free; donations appreciated. Stay up-to-date on Depot activities by liking their Facebook page or visit www.ruralhalldepot.org.

See you at the Depot!

Newsletter Via Email?

In a continued effort to reduce mailing paper newsletters, please let us know if you would like to start receiving your monthly newsletter by email instead of USPS mail.

Rural Hall Branch Library



The Rural Hall Branch Library and all Forsyth County Public Libraries are closed to the public until further notice.

Rural Hall Branch Library News

Phone Number: (336) 703-2970

Website: <https://www.forsyth.cc/library/RuralHall/>

Forsyth County Public Libraries are offering To-Go Library Pickup, an alternative delivery method for books and materials, from 10 AM – 5 PM, Monday – Friday. All Forsyth County Library Branches will be closed on the weekends until further notice.

Anyone with a valid Forsyth County Public Library card can reserve books and audio-visual materials online or by calling their local branch for later pickup in front of each library. The complete library catalog is available on the library's website at www.forsythlibrary.org, or call (336) 703-3030 for help.

The library has extended the checkout period for books and audiobooks to five weeks with one five-week renewal. Fines on DVDs are waived until May 25. Books and materials may be returned at each branch's exterior book return.

The virtual library branch is open 24/7. Through our online resources, people can access e-books, audiobooks, music, genealogical research, magazines and newspapers, and numerous databases.

Check the Forsyth County Library websites and social media accounts for details on online storytimes and online book clubs that are available.

Crisis Control Ministry



Crisis Control has seen an increased need for food assistance. The biggest way you can help is to donate a financial gift online at www.crisiscontrol.org.

Crisis Control remains open to help to continue to provide much needed food and pharmacy services, however operational hours have been reduced.

Current Events Updates:

- Wee Care! Cereal Drive has been extended until April 30th dependent upon schools reopening.
- Kernersville Spring Folly Community Event in May is cancelled.
- The 30th Annual Hope du Jour is scheduled for Tuesday, May 5th.

- The 28th Annual Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Drive is scheduled for Saturday, May 9th.

Please make sure to check our website www.crisiscontrol.org for continuous updates and more details on these upcoming events.

April Gift of the Month:

Instant Oatmeal

CCM accepts "Gift of the Month" donations at CCM locations during regular business hours.

Rural Hall Elementary School



At this time, RHES staff members are working diligently to make sure learning continues while schools are closed due to COVID-19. Please check the WSFCS website at <https://www.wsfcs.k12.nc.us/> for the latest updates.

Upcoming Dates (subject to change):

Spring Break: April 10-18



Monthly meetings are the second Tuesday of the month at Mayflower Seafood in Rural Hall at 12:30 PM. For more details, visit our website or the RHABA Facebook page at:

<https://www.ruralhall.com/business-rural-hall-nc/rhaba/>

The annual RHABA Second Harvest Food Drive will be ONLINE this year—through May 29th. Food donations are needed NOW more than ever, as well as monetary donations. Visit <https://secure.ggiv.com/event/team/861311/> - the RHABA Virtual Food Drive team page to donate!

Save the Date!

14th Annual RHABA Flat & Fast 10K/5K on Saturday, October 24th!

Details & Registration at: <https://flatandfastruralhall5k10k.itsyourrace.com/event.aspx?id=5286>

Rural Hall Community Garden Plots Available



The Rural Hall Community Garden recently had signups for 4 x 8 foot community garden plots. They still have plots available. The plots are located at Nazareth Lutheran Church, located at 460 Bethania-Rural Hall Road. An annual \$10 donation is suggested for each plot. If interested or for additional information, contact Jane Bodenhamer at (336) 969-1880 or Mark Rutledge at (336) 413-4077.

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Town Deputy

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Eric Stewart
Fire Captain

Mark Williams
Fire Captain

Ryan Hooker
Career Firefighter

Josh Joyce
Career Firefighter

Chad Stevens
Career Firefighter

Josh Wright
Career Firefighter

Agenda Briefing

1st Monday, 10:00 AM
(as needed)

Council Meeting
2nd Monday, 7:00 PM

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

Annual Shred Event

Saturday, April 4 from 9 AM—Noon



Free and safe disposal of your personal documents, such as financial statements, medical and dental bills/records, tax documents, credit cards and more (no limit).

Please be sure no CDs, trash, or plastic (other than credit cards) are mixed in with your documents.

Staff will direct you and unload your containers, empty your containers into the shred bins, and roll the containers to the truck for shredding. You are welcome to pull over to watch your items being shredded.

**This event is not intended for businesses or commercial entities. For more details, call 336-969-6856 or email townclerk@ruralhall.com.*

Food Truck Tuesdays are Back in Full Swing!



The Town of Rural Hall is hosting a monthly food truck again this year on the second Tuesday of the month at Town Hall for lunch (March through November). They will be located in the Town Hall parking lot, starting at 11:30 AM.

Next up...

April 14: Good Times Bar-b-cue

Check them out on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/goodtimesbarbcue/>



Mark your calendar for May 12: Pacific Rim

Spring Fling & Movie Night
Friday, May 15

Fun starts at 6 PM, Movie at 8:30 PM
Covington Park Ball Field

Free Hotdogs (First 200)

Free, Family-Friendly Event!

Face Painting
Balloon Art

Come meet your local
PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL

April Community Calendar



- April 4: 9 AM, Shred Event
- April 10: 10 AM, Helicopter Easter Egg Drop
- April 10: Good Friday Holiday, Town Offices Closed
- April 12: Easter Monday
- April 14: 11:30 AM, Food Truck Tuesday

Mark Your Calendar for...

- May 12: 11:30 AM, Food Truck Tuesday
- May 15: 6 PM, Spring Fling

****Please stay tuned to our website, social media, email alerts and future publications for updates or cancellations.****