



Garden Spot News

March 2024

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Check us out on Social media and be sure to follow or like us! Please stay tuned to our social media, website, email alerts, and future publications for events, update, cancellations, etc.

Council Meeting

March 11th

Town Council Visioning Workshop

2:00pm Council Chambers

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Regular Council Meeting

7:00pm Council Chambers



LEAF MULCH INFO

If you are interested in receiving LEAF MULCH this year from the Town of Rural Hall, you must complete a mulch waiver (found on town website and available at town hall).

Yard Stakes will be available out front at town hall beginning March 15th. The Town's Public Works Department will be delivering leaf mulch the week of April 15th through April 19th.

Contact the Rural Hall Town Hall at 336-969-6856 if you have any questions!

Town of Rural Hall Easter Celebration!



Join the Town of Rural Hall as we celebrate Easter with our annual Easter Egg Hunt. This event will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 29th (Good Friday) at Covington Memorial Park.

We will have food trucks & a special appearance by the Easter Bunny!

Council & Staff

- Terry M. Bennett
Mayor
- Eddie Horn
Mayor Pro Tem
- Mark Lane
Councilman
- Michael Woodcock
Councilman
- Anita Ring
Councilwoman
- Hugh B. Campbell, III
Town Attorney

- Homer T. Dearmin
Interim Town Manager
- Lynette E. Hendrick
Town Clerk
- Donna K. Watson
Accounting Clerk
- Alston H. Brown
Public Information Officer

- Dawn Tysor
LPA Supervisor
- Jonathan Collins
Title Clerk
- Lisa Lane
Title Clerk
- Shykerria Moore
Title Clerk
- Elizabeth Mariche
Title Clerk

- Jason Hill
Public Works Director
- Dalton Pendry
Maintenance Tech II
- Brian Jobe
Maintenance Tech II
- Ross Banner
Maintenance Tech I

- Mike Simone
Fire Chief
- Josh Joyce
Fire Captain
- Josh Wright
Fire Captain
- Thomas Mabe
Fire Captain
- Ryan Key
Career Firefighter
- Josh Kiger
Career Firefighter
- Marcus Johnson
Career Firefighter
- Chris Nowlin
Fire Engineer
- Chad Stevens
Fire Engineer
- Mark Thorpe
Fire Engineer

- Steve May
Code Enforcement

- Michael Collins
Town Deputy
- Trent Thornton
Town Deputy
- Kiam Holley
Town Deputy



Rural Hall Garden Club

March 2024

Hello gardening Friends: As we move into the month of March, there are several things we should be doing to prepare for spring to have a successful 2024.

March is the time to trim ornamental grasses like Liriope, Mondo grass, and Pampas grasses, also cut back any overgrown landscaping shrubs like Crape Myrtle. March is the best time to trim and prune fruit trees, such as Apples, Cherry, Nectarine, Peach, Pear and Plum while they are dormant, before buds open. Also include pruning your grape vines, and blueberries at this time. While pruning, remove the leaves and clippings to prevent disease problems. Include starting your spraying regimen with an environmentally friendly fungicide, and dormant oil to prevent leaf curl and help eliminate some insects. March is also a great month for planting any additional fruit trees and grape vines while they are still dormant.

The first week in March you can start broccoli, cabbage, and cauliflower plants inside your home. Fertilize emerging spring flowering bulbs. Spreading wood ashes around the vegetable garden for non-acid loving plants if the soil pH is below 6.0 will help raise the pH. Additionally, shade trees can be fertilized at this time. Gardening root plants such as onions, Irish potatoes, radishes, rutabagas, turnips, and carrots can be planted last week of March. Plant asparagus crowns when soil is dry enough to work.

Remember to start your lawn care for cool season grasses like Tall Fescue should be fertilized at the end of March. Follow soil test results. Control wild onion and any broad leaf plants in your lawn with spot sprays of a recommended herbicide.

Develop a vegetable and landscape plan for your home garden grounds. Place any orders for strawberry & blueberry plants. Bring cut branches of Forsythia, Camellias, Winter Honeysuckle, Spirea, and Quince inside. Place branches in water filled vases to enjoy early blooms. Enjoy the beauty of nature!

As our club continues to grow, we invite anyone 12 YOA, and up with an interest in gardening to attend one of our monthly meetings. We are always eager to meet new people and help to beautify our community!

Contact Information
Email--- ruralhallgardenclub@gmail.com
Facebook Page---- RH Garden Club

**Waste Management Recycling
Recycling Dates Highlighted Below**

Recycling every other Tuesday

Garbage every Tuesday

*Holiday-one day delay

March 2024						
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31						

April 2024						
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**Rural Hall Historic Train Depot
& Railroad Museum:**



Happy Spring from the Rural Hall Historic Train Depot and Railroad Museum! We will soon be opening our doors to the community once again and have started our spring cleaning in anticipation of that day. Our first Open House will be in May (more details to follow) and we can't wait to see you. Be sure to follow us on Facebook, or visit our website, as that is where we will post our 2024 events. See you at the Depot!!



Fire Alarms in Apartment Buildings

Large apartment buildings are built to keep people safe from fire. Fire alarm systems detect smoke and fire. They will warn residents of danger.

- ||| The fire alarm system has many parts that work together. Some of the parts are out of sight. In a fire, smoke detectors sense smoke and activate the fire alarm. Manual fire alarm boxes allow people to sound the alarm. When the fire alarm system activates it will warn residents of danger.
- ||| Everyone in the building should know where to find the manual fire alarm boxes (alarm boxes on the wall with a pull bar). Most are found within five feet of an exit door.
- ||| If there is a fire, pull the manual fire alarm box handle on your way out of the building.
- ||| When the system senses smoke or fire, a loud horn or tone will sound. Everyone must know what this sound means and how to react.
- ||| Leave the building right away if you hear the sound of a fire alarm. Stay outside at your meeting place until you are told the building is safe.
- ||| Treat every fire alarm as an emergency. When the alarms sounds, get outside.
- ||| Only use a manual fire alarm box if there is smoke or fire. Frequent false alarms are a problem. People might ignore the sound if they hear too many false alarms. False alarms also put firefighters at risk.

Escape 101



Know the locations of all exit stairs from your floor. If the nearest one is blocked by fire or smoke, you may have to use another exit.

If the fire alarm sounds feel the door before opening. If it is hot, use another way out. If it is cool, use this exit to leave.

Close all doors behind you as you leave. Take the key to your apartment in case you are not able to get out of the building.

If fire or smoke is blocking all exits, return or stay in your apartment. Keep the door closed. Cover cracks around the door with towels or tape. Call **9-1-1** and let the fire department know you are trapped. Signal from the window by waving a flashlight or light-colored cloth.

Meet with your landlord or building manager to learn about the fire safety features and plans in your building.



Your Source for SAFETY Information

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Rural Hall Lifespan Center

The Lifespan Clubhouse Art Classes were successful. Presently, the classes will be canceled due to clubhouse repairs.

The classes will resume at further notice. The Lifespan Center sends thanks to the Lilly Network after school collaboration and the Garden Spot News for help in recruiting participants.

The contact person for classes:

JoAnne Falls: (336)-912-1055.

History Corner

Leading up to the Town of Rural Hall's 50th Anniversary in June, the Garden Spot News will be dedicating a section in the newsletter titled "History Corner", highlighting interesting historical information that has shaped our town over the years!



DID YOU KNOW?

In 1979, Mr. & Mrs. Jack L. Covington donated 8.49 acres of land to the Town of Rural Hall for the development of the Numa and Emma Covington Memorial Park. After receiving a \$100k+ grant for the development/construction of the park from the Heritage Conservation Fund, work quickly began to take place.

Groundbreaking ceremonies were held in November 1980 with the park being dedicated on April 9, 1983.

Rural Hall Bombers

Softball is not just a game, it's a passion that fuels the soul! See below flyer for more information:

Rural Hall, NC

Home of the Bombers one of the oldest softball
player teams in America ages 80-90+!

Sponsored by Twin-City Custom Cabinet Company.



The Bombers are a local team that plays every Monday night at 6:30 pm weather permitting at Covington Memorial Park Rural Hall, NC. If you wish to donate to the bombers to help out with equipment and fees. Please go to <https://gofund.me/3a5bf8f1> or Scan the QR below.

Scan to donate



gofundme

Thanks to our sponsors for their help and support in funding our team:





RURAL HALL KIDS ZONE

Hop on down the bunny trail and complete this fun Easter themed word search!

Easter Word Search



- Word list:
- BASKET
 - BUNNY
 - CARROTS
 - CHICKS
 - DYE
 - EGGS
 - FIND
 - FLOWERS
 - HIDE
 - HOP
 - PEEP
 - RABBIT



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Rural Hall Area Business Association

Meeting Date	Speaker
19-March	Vacation Planning w/Ed Dean
16-April	Kick-Off: Second Harvest Food Drive
21-May	Final Food Drive Celebration at Covington Park (BBQ Picnic)

Rural Hall Seniors Club

The Rural Hall Seniors Club meets the 1st Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 5th at 11:30 a.m. at the Mayflower Seafood Restaurant. Come on out and join the fellowship. For questions, please contact Freddie Blevins at 336-934-6523.

Nazareth Lutheran Church

“Thank you to each and every one of you who supported the 2nd Annual Coat and Blanket Drive in 2023.

We donated over 500 articles to various non profits, including: Winston Salem Rescue Mission, King Outreach Mission, and The Shalom Project. Also donations were made to Rural Hall Elementary School.

Thank you to the Rural Hall Town Hall for allowing their office to be a drop off site! This was extremely helpful in reaching and surpassing our goal!”

-Nancy Jones
Nazareth Lutheran Church