

NEWSLETTER

TOWN OF CLEVELAND PO BOX 429 CLEVELAND, NC 27013 ■ MARCH/APRIL 2010

TOWN HALL CLOSING...

Town Hall will be closed on Friday, April 2nd for Good Friday.

TIME CHANGE...

Daylight savings time begins March 14th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour.

RECYCLING...

Recycling dates for March are the 11th and 25th. April dates are the 8th and 22nd. Due to the large volume of recyclables, PLEASE recycle your items each time; do not hold your items monthly. You will need to separate your items and place them in separate containers. REMINDER, if your items are not separated in separate containers, your recycling will NOT be picked up. Do not place any recyclables in small plastic bags.

EASEMENTS...

If you were mailed an easement to have a waterline located on your property and have not returned it, please do so as soon as possible.

SPRING FESTIVAL...

This year's Spring Festival will be on Saturday, May 15th from 11:00 am until 9:30 pm. There will be vendors, rides, entertainment and fireworks.

FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT..

This is a letter received from North Carolina's Secretary of State, Elaine F. Marshall.

"We have all watched the suffering in the aftermath of the earthquake in Haiti over the past weeks and it has triggered a desire to help. Recovery from this disaster will not be quick, and it is expected that an increasing number of individuals and groups will plan to collect money and in-kind donations for Haiti. Most of these activities will be completely legitimate. However, as with any high-profile disaster situation, there is the opportunity for scammers to prey on the generosity of others for their personal gain.

The Charitable Solicitation Licensing Division (CSL) of the Department of the Secretary of State licenses and registers charity organizations that solicit contributions in our State. Any organization that is soliciting financial or in-kind contributions in North Carolina must be registered with CSL by having a current exemption or license on file here. To verify if an organization has a current exemption or license, visit our website at www.sosnc.com. Click on "Charitable Solicitations" and then "Search Our Registry". Upon entering the name of the organization in the search field, the records CSL has on the organization will be available to you from our on-line database.

If an organization is soliciting contributions in your community and you cannot confirm their registration status via of our website, please notify the NC Department of the Secretary at 888-430-4989 or via email at csl@sosnc.com and provide as much information as possible. CSL has a small investigative unit that will pursue reports of unlicensed organizations soliciting in our State in order to help protect the generosity of the citizens in your community. In addition, the Attorney General's Office has on-going efforts to stop such scammers and you can report suspicious activity to 1-877-566-7226."

TOWN BOARD MEETINGS...

Beginning with the March 2010 meeting, the Town Board will conduct their regular monthly meetings on the first Monday of each month instead of the second Monday. March's meeting will be on March 1 and April's meeting will be on April 5 at 7:00 p.m. Citizens are encouraged to attend . If you wish to speak at the Board meeting, contact Town Hall before the meeting date.

TOWN WELCOME SIGN...

The Board has ordered two Welcome to Historic Cleveland signs. One will be installed on west-bound Statesville Blvd. at the Town limits. The other sign will be stored until the road construction on the east-bound side is completed.

CLEVELAND IMPROVEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE...

Applications are still being taken for volunteers to the new CID Committee. This committee is a merger of the former Beautification Committee and Park Committee. Interested citizens may obtain an application at Town Hall.

TOWN WEBSITE...

Check out the Town's website at www.clevelandnc.org . Current announcements will be listed on the home page. Click on Area Information for a menu of Town departments and services including access to the Town's Zoning Ordinance. Calendar of Events will list any scheduled meetings. A copy of the Newsletter is also available.

NEW CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS...

New Christmas decorations have been ordered. We will have a snowflake theme including a new centerpiece at the square. The new decorations will have LED lights which will not only be brighter but will save money on electricity. Lights will be on from Thanksgiving until January 1st.

YARD OF THE MONTH PROGRAM...

This program will begin in May and end in October. There will be a monthly winner who will receive a check for \$100. Anyone living in Cleveland is eligible for consideration. Keeping grass mowed and trimmed, trimming bushes, having no trash in the yard and maintaining a well-groomed yard will put you in the running for this award. Flowers and trees make your property beautiful but the most important thing is having a well-groomed yard. Nominations for winners will be considered by the CID Committee. After five (5) years, a winning home may be considered again.

CANS FOR CANCER...

A trailer from the Sons of American Legion Kennedy Hall Post 106 has been placed in the Town Hall parking lot for you to bring your aluminum cans to be recycled. You are asked to rinse the cans out and place them in a plastic bag. The cans will be picked up and the money collected will be sent to the Rowan County Cancer Support Fund.

MEALS ON WHEELS...

Do you have about an hour of your time to volunteer for this worthy service. Volunteers deliver meals to the homebound on three routes: Cleveland, Hwy. 150 and Mt. Ulla. Meals are picked up at CJ's Restaurant and delivered for lunch Monday through Friday. Mileage is tax deductible. Call 704-633-0352 for more information. Also call this same number if you or someone you know is homebound and would like to see if they are eligible for this service.

WELCOME NEW BUSINESS...

We welcome 24/7 Fitness Center that has opened at the Third Creek Station Shopping Center. They are staffed from 8:00 am until 8:00 pm and have a fully equipped weight room, circuit training room, and cardio room. A free fitness consultant is available. Call 704-278-2888 or Freddie at 704-662-4111 for more information.

U.S. CENSUS 2010...

You should be receiving census questionnaires in the mail during March and April 2010. Census questionnaires will be available at select public sites for individuals who did not receive one by mail. May through July, census takers will visit households that did not return a questionnaire by mail. The questionnaires will be just ten (10) questions. To learn more, visit www.census.gov.