

NEWSLETTER

TOWN OF CLEVELAND PO BOX 429 CLEVELAND, NC 27013 ■ SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2010

GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR...

Dear Citizens of Cleveland!

It is indeed a pleasure to address you at this time. I hope everyone has had a pleasant summer and that we can now begin to enjoy a good fall season. As we begin doing so, I would like to alert you to several items of interest that will hopefully make life in our Town even more enjoyable over the coming months. They are as follows:

- 1. In late July I sent a letter to various home owners pertaining to the installing of a walk on their particular street. The Town Board would appreciate hearing from all those who were contacted via mail, regarding their willingness to grant easement right-of-way to the Town. Please fill out the form and send it back as quickly as possible so plans for construction can continue.**
- 2. Cleveland's Third Annual Heritage Fest will be on October 16, 2010 from 12:00 noon until 6:00 p.m. This year we are honored to be having 7 guests from our twin town of Killyleagh, Northern Ireland joining us for the day's activities as well as being in the Town for a visit lasting 8 days. The guests will be staying with various Cleveland families from October 14th until October 23rd. Hopefully, we can show our Irish guests the historical parts of Western Rowan County, as well as introducing them to other N.C. historical sites in the Piedmont and Mountain regions of our state. It should be noted that these guests come from County Down, Ireland from which many of our ancestors emigrated during the 18th and 19th centuries. Of note is the planned Re-affirmation Ceremony celebrating our twin town status with Killyleagh on the 22nd of October at the Cleveland Town Hall from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. At this time a Proclamation of our continued twinned status with Killyleagh will be signed by the Cleveland Town Board and our Irish guests. A reception will take place after the ceremony. All Cleveland citizens are invited to this event. Who knows, one might even find an Irish cousin in the process!!!!**
- 3. As we prepare to welcome our guests from Ireland, I am asking you, my fellow citizens, to take part in the Cleveland Clean Up which is scheduled for October 2nd from 8:30 to 1:00 p.m. All are asked to clean up their property; picking up trash, cans, and mowing their yards. Beginning at 8:00 a.m. on October 2, 2010, large trash bags will be handed out in front of Town Hall to Cleveland citizens who are picking up litter on the Town streets. Cleveland's Maintenance Department will be working throughout the next weeks leading up to the Heritage Fest to spruce up the municipal areas of the Town. During their visit our guests will be taken on a tour of the Town and I know that everyone wants our community to look its best. On October 4, 2010 Cleveland will have a heavy trash pick up. On October 9th there will be a Cleveland Yard Sale in which all citizens are encouraged to take part.**
- 4. The October "Yard of the Month" award selection process will be emphasizing the beauty of the fall season. I think our Irish guests would enjoy seeing how we in Cleveland celebrate the Fall Season when it comes to home and yard exterior decorations and yard maintenance.**
- 5. The school year has begun and I, along with the Town Board, wish all students and teachers the best as they begin their study and teaching endeavors. We are proud of the accomplishments of our schools' faculties and students and are blessed in having such excellent institutions in our Cleveland and West Rowan communities.**

TOWN HALL CLOSING...

Town Hall will be closed on Monday, September 6th for Labor Day.

RECYCLING...

Recycling dates for September are the 9th and 23rd. October's dates are the 14th and 28th.

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.

HEAVY TRASH PICKUP...

A heavy trash pickup will begin on Monday, October 4th. Place your large items at the curb and Town personnel will pick them up. Items should be at the curb no later than 7:00 a.m. This pickup is for large items not picked up with your regular weekly garbage, such as furniture, appliances, mattresses, etc. Items NOT picked up are limbs, yard refuse, boards, tires, batteries, hazardous materials such as paints, liquids, etc., or anything NOT accepted at the Rowan County Landfill.

TOWN YARD SALE...

The Town is sponsoring another Town-wide yard sale on Saturday, October 9th. Advertisements will be in the newspaper inviting shoppers to Cleveland for Town residents' personal yard sales. To participate, just place your items in your yard starting around 6 or 7 a.m. Shoppers will go yard to yard buying your treasures.

TRACTOR PULL...

This year's Antique Tractor Pull will be held on October 23rd from noon until 6:00 p.m. at the Town Park. Admission to the Park that day will be for people attending the Tractor Pull only. A fee will be charged at the park entrance.

EARLY VOTING...

Cleveland is offering early voting again this year at Town Hall. The early voting will begin on Saturday, October 23rd and will end on Friday, October 29th.

Hours are: Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Sunday, Closed

Monday thru Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Thursday & Friday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

YARD OF THE MONTH...

July's Yard of the Month winner was Steven Williamson of Smith Street. August's winners were Megan and Ryan Grayce of Maple Street. The winners received a check for \$100 and a copy of the Lifestories of Cleveland, NC book.

CLARIFICATION OF CLEVELAND CHRONICLE ARTICLE...

The water rate increase reported in the July 2010 issue of the Cleveland Chronicle does not affect Cleveland residents' water rates. There was no increase in the Town's water rates for the fiscal year July 2010 to June 2011.

SEWER CLEANOUTS...

Do not remove the caps from the sewer clean-outs on your property. These are the white pipes located from the sewer main to your house. If caps are left off, debris can fall inside and cause clogs. A health hazard can be created if a clog causes sewage to spill out into your yard. It also causes rain water to enter the sewer system and is treated at the sewer plant, adding costs to operating the plant. If a cap is damaged or missing, you may purchase another cap at Town Hall for \$2.00.