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City of Salisbury Newsletter

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City And NAACP Call For A **Salisbury Cease Fire**

Two years after it was first introduced, the “Cease Fire” gun violence reduction project led by the Salisbury-Rowan Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and the Salisbury Police Department, will continue in 2021 with a slightly different look. The “Salisbury Cease Fire” program will be held throughout the year in a continuous effort to reduce increasing gun violence in the community.

Introduced in 2019, the “Summer Cease Fire” was a local initiative to encourage Salisbury youth, and in some cases adults,

to stop gun-related assault during the summer months. The initiative uses data to address gun violence in specific areas, in combination with community stakeholders who serve as de-escalators in the midst of potentially violent situations between related groups in the summer.

The “Salisbury Cease Fire” program will continue to use de-escalators, but will continue year round. An additional plus is the assistance of two dedicated SPD crime analysts who are housed in the new Rowan Regional Crime Information Center (RRCIC). The analysts benefit the Cease Fire program by providing real-time information on violent crime hot spots

within the city limits. De-escalators will be on call day and night.

For more information on the Salisbury Cease Fire program or to sign up as a de-escalator, visit salisburync.gov/CeaseFire or contact the Salisbury-Rowan NAACP at (980) 234-9843 or email info@salisburyrowannaacp.org.



EVENT CALENDAR: JULY

Electronic City Council Meetings

Watch the live broadcast of city council meetings via social media or the website. (Meeting format subject to change.)

Tuesday, July 20 - starts at 6 p.m.
[facebook.com/CitySalisburyNC](https://www.facebook.com/CitySalisburyNC)
[Twitter @CitySalisburyNC](https://twitter.com/CitySalisburyNC)
WSRG-TV (Hotwire 394/Spectrum 16)

Summer Spruce Up Week

During Spruce Up Weeks, City of Salisbury residents can place items at the curb on their regular collection day before 7:00 a.m. For details visit salisburync.gov/SpruceUp.

Monday, July 12 - Friday, July 16

Krazy Klearance

Krazy Klearance is a Downtown Salisbury tradition where our merchants have their lowest markdowns of the year throughout their shops and on the sidewalks. Plus, enter to win Krazy Klearance Bucks!

Wednesday, July 14 - Saturday, July 17
Downtown Salisbury



Connect To **Your City**

The Salisbury Citizen's Academy, a 10-week academy in which residents learn firsthand about city operations, is now accepting applications for class members.

The Academy is held on Thursday evenings from 5:30 to 8 p.m. beginning Thursday, Sept. 2 through Thursday, Nov. 4. Participants will receive hands-on, inside views of various city departments each week, discovering greater understanding of how and why Salisbury provides its municipal services. Experiences include learning about the city budget, using the Jaws of Life and

playing recreational activities. Dinner is served at each class.

“One of my favorite parts of the Citizen's Academy is to see the excitement on participant's faces when they operate our boom knuckle or learn what it takes to fill a pot hole or balance a budget,” said Kelly Baker, program administrator. “I think the Citizen's Academy allows participants to see the human side of the ‘city’ and helps create relationships that make us a stronger community.”

The deadline for applications for the City of Salisbury Citizen's Academy is Friday, July 30, at 5 p.m.

Applications are available online at www.salisburync.gov/citizensacademy.

Participants must be at least 16 years of age and class size is limited to 20 participants. Priority will be given to residents of Salisbury.



Para la traducción al español, visite www.salisburync.gov/NoticiasEspañol

City Council:

Mayor Karen Alexander, Mayor Pro Tem Al Heggins, Council Member Brian Miller, Council Member David Post, Council Member Tamara Sheffield and City Manager W. Lane Bailey



Sculpture Show Returns for 13th Year

The award-winning Salisbury Sculpture Show, curated by the Salisbury Public Art Committee (SPAC), returns to Salisbury for its 13th year. There are 21 sculptures to see throughout the City including downtown Salisbury, local colleges and in the Salisbury community.

This year's show includes works by Paris Alexander, Matt Amante, Jonathan Bowling, Jim Collins, Russell Foster, Jim

Gallucci, Hannah Jubran, Jason Morris, Jordan Parah, John Parker, Charles Pilkey, Richard Pitts, Mary Ruden, Silo AR+D, Adam Walls, Jim Weitzel, TuxedoKat and Wayne Vaughn.

Residents and visitors interested in the self-guided tour should begin at the Visitors' Center located at 204 East Innes Street to pick up a brochure or visit Salisburync.gov/SculptureShow. While on

the walking tour, participants can enjoy an audio tour through the free app Otocast, which provides an interactive map and sound clips from artists.

The 2021 Salisbury Sculpture Show runs from May 2021 through April 2022. Get your map and enjoy the weather with a tour of intriguing public sculptures in Salisbury.

EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT



Ella Casey, Transit Operator and ADA Dispatcher

Ella Casey is a transit operator and ADA dispatcher for the City of Salisbury Transit Department.

In her role, Ella transports clients to designated sites, collects fares, and conducts pre-trip and post-trip inspection of vehicles to ensure people get where they are going safely. Casey also provides paratransit dispatching and routing service to senior, disabled individuals certified under the Americans with Disabilities Act.

"The favorite part about my job is helping people. I enjoy knowing that I can help others by showing kindness and being able to assist someone with getting anywhere they need to go. Most of the people that ride paratransit are the same people calling in each week making appointments and you become familiar with their voices. Then on the occasion when I must drive, I introduce myself. It is just a delight to put a face with a name."



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