



# THE LAMPLIGHTER

City of Salisbury Newsletter

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## HOLIDAY SPECTACULAR

**Wednesday, November 23**  
**Bell Tower Green**  
**4:30-8:30 p.m. (Tree Lighting at 6 p.m.)**

Keep the holiday spirit going after the Tis the Season Spectacular Community Holiday Parade. There will be musical performances and a balloon artist. Visit with Santa, bounce in holiday inflatables, create a memory keepsake, and watch the Tree lighting. New Sarum and food trucks on site.



## SANTA'S MAILBOX

**Wednesday, Nov. 23 - Monday, Dec. 19**  
**100 S. Main St.**

You can write your very own letter to Santa and drop it in the mailbox downtown for delivery to the North Pole. Santa's mailbox is located at the square in front of Rowan Cellular Repair on 100 S. Main St.

The best part is that Santa will write you back! If you're on his nice list he might even include a special gift from downtown. Just make sure to include a return address that is clearly written.



## HOLIDAY NIGHT OUT

**Friday, November 25**  
**Downtown Salisbury**  
**5 - 9 p.m.**

This annual tradition takes place each year on Black Friday. The community can share holiday cheer while shopping in the unique shops, boutiques and restaurants in downtown with a hometown holiday atmosphere.

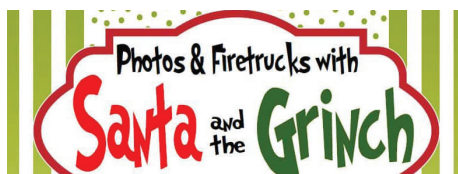
Enjoy holiday decorations, lights, live music, snow and the sounds of strolling carolers. You can have a lovely meal or a drink in a downtown spot.



## SMALL BUSINESS SATURDAY

**Saturday, November 26**  
**Varies by Store**

The holidays are just around the corner! Celebrate our local downtown businesses by supporting #SmallBusinessSaturday.



## RIDE WITH SANTA AND THE GRINCH

**Saturday, December 10**  
**Photos: 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.**  
**Rides: 1:30 - 4 p.m.**

Spend the day in Downtown Salisbury! The holiday cheer begins with a gathering at Gateway Park (on the corner of Depot & E. Innes St.) for photos with Santa and the Grinch from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Afterwards, kids and adults can both enjoy free rides on antique fire trucks with Santa and the Grinch from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m.

**For more information visit:**  
**[salisburync.gov/Events](https://salisburync.gov/Events) and [downtownsalisburync.com/Events](https://downtownsalisburync.com/Events)**



## NEW YEAR'S EVE AT THE BELL TOWER

**Saturday, December 31**  
**Bell Tower Green**  
**9 p.m. - Midnight**

Goodbye 2022, Hello 2023! Join us at Bell Tower Green for New Year's Eve at the Bell Tower. Enjoy live entertainment from Salisbury's own Live House Band as well as games, food trucks, New Sarum beer and sparkling cider for your midnight toast as we count down to 2023 with New York's Times Square.

All who wish will be able to ring the bell at midnight.

## MEETINGS: NOVEMBER

### City Council Meetings

The public is invited to attend meetings in-person, or attend the live broadcast virtually via social media or the city website.

**Tuesday, Nov. 1 and 15** - starts at 6 p.m.  
[facebook.com/CitySalisburyNC](https://facebook.com/CitySalisburyNC)  
WSRG-TV (Hotwire 394/Spectrum 16)



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City Council: Mayor Karen Alexander, Mayor Pro Tem Tamara Sheffield, Council Member David Post, Council Member Harry McLaughlin, Council Member Anthony Smith  
City Manager Jim Greene Jr.

# Salisbury Youth Council Inducts New Members

The Salisbury Youth Council (SYC) inducts new members during its Member Induction & Pinning Ceremony on Tuesday, Oct. 11. The Salisbury Youth Council is a service-oriented organization aimed to enhance and build a more positive community. SYC members, who are in grades ninth through 12th, serve the community at large, attain leadership skills and participate in programs and community service projects.

"I'm truly excited to see the potential of what this year has to offer us as the SYC," said Gray Davis, Salisbury Youth Council President and a 10th-grader at Salisbury High School. It's an honor and a privilege to help lead this group to not

only help our community, but to better understand one another and learn to grow and support each other as a team. We, as the SYC, are reliant on one another as we are reliant on our community to help improve not only the issues of today but to prevent the issues of tomorrow. I look forward to each and every day as we begin our projects toward helping our great community."

Sixteen students from various schools within Rowan-Salisbury Schools, homeschooled or private schools are participating in Salisbury Youth Council for the 2022-2023 school year. For more information about Salisbury Youth Council, visit: [www.SalisburyNC.gov/SYC](http://www.SalisburyNC.gov/SYC).



#### SYC members include:

Mitchell Allen  
Andrew Aron  
Michelle Cartwright  
Thomas Gray Davis  
Sheenya Daugherty  
Malakie Harris  
Ella Jones  
Samantha Lenig

Sara Lescoe  
Micah Lightfoot  
Iris Marroquin  
Ava Morris  
Kamilah Morris  
Ethan Ott  
Makara Trick  
Peyton Weaks

#### SYC Advisory Board:

Kaisha Brown  
Delando Clowney  
Jacob Easler  
Megan Simpson  
Allie Thies  
Sam Wilborn  
City Councilmember  
Anthony Smith.

**FORWARD 2040 COMMUNITY MEETING**  
The public is invited to give input on the Forward 2040 Comprehensive Plan on Monday, December 5, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Horizons Unlimited, 1636 Parkview Circle.

## EMPLOYEE SPOTLIGHT

### Delando Clowney Jr. Recreation Coordinator



Delando Clowney Jr., a recreation coordinator for the parks and recreation department, is this month's employee spotlight. He is responsible for planning and

operating activities at Miller Recreation Teen Center. In his role, Delando supervises and supports teen center staff, communicates and works with teens, individuals and community groups to create programs of interest for teens, and manages the facility's budget.

"My favorite part about my job is the variety. No days are the same; working in Salisbury Parks and Recreation. Working in an evolving career, things are always changing. My job keeps me busy by making sure. I'm implementing new program trends and ideas. Also, working with and meeting the citizens of Salisbury; is something, I greatly enjoy. Most of all I enjoy working with the parks and recreation staff. The team we have makes the difficult, days easy."

## Tips to Shop Safe

Con artists and scammers are particularly active during the holiday season, both in-person and online. Salisbury Police offers a few tips to stay safe from criminals this holiday season.

#### In-Person Shopping Tips

- While shopping, stay aware of your surroundings. Keep packages in the trunk or hidden from view.
- Shop during the day or park in a well-lit area at night.
- Keep your purse close to your body and/or don't keep your wallet in your back pocket. Instead, carry your driver's license, cash and/or one credit card in your front pocket.

#### Online Shopping Tips

- Think before you click: Beware of ads encouraging users to click on links. If you receive an enticing offer, do not click on the link. Instead, go directly to the company's website to verify the
- Use credit cards over debit cards: There are more consumer protections for credit cards if something goes awry. You can also use a third party payment service instead of your credit card.

## Toss the Grease!

As cooks gear up for the holiday season, Salisbury-Rowan Utilities has tips for discarding leftover **Fats, Oils, and Grease**, also known as FOG. When FOG is poured or flushed down the drain it may not travel very far through your pipes. FOG will accumulate and stick to the pipe walls causing future sewer backups in your home, restaurant, or other buildings.

When FOG goes down the drain, it hardens and causes sewer pipes to clog. This can lead to a sanitary sewer overflows (SSO) where raw sewage may back up into your home, lawn, neighborhood and streets. SSOs can cause health issues and sewer may even run into local water ways which can affect drinking water quality.

If your pipes become clogged, it can be very expensive problem to fix. NEVER put FOG down the drain!



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