SPRING SPRUCE UP

Week

Old Appliances
Tires Without Rims

NO COMPUTERS OR TVS

NO BUILDING MATERIALS

(No carpet, padding, sheets, sinks, lumber, commodes, windows, etc.)

AUGUST 24-29
Place items at the curb on your regular collection day before 7 a.m.

This collection is FOR RESIDENTS living inside the city limits of Salisbury only.

NO BUSINESSES

If you have questions, please contact us (704) 638-5260 or ncast@salisburync.gov

City Council

Mayor Karen K. Alexander
Mayor Pro Tem Maggie Blackwell
Council Member Brian Miller
Council Member Kenneth Hardin
Council Member David Post
City Manager W. Lane Bailey

Correction:
The March 2017 Lamplighter “Another Way to Bill Pay” article stated that a transaction fee will apply to credit/debit transactions. However, we do not charge transaction fees for online payments.

CLEAN UP AT VANDERFORD BASIN

#PositiveGossip Crews recently completed work in the Vanderford Basin in the city's West End, clearing debris and overgrowth.

Posted April 14

www.facebook.com/City.of.Salisbury.NC

SALISBURY NOW HIGHLIGHTS

Check out highlights from the City of Salisbury’s television show, Salisbury NOW, on our Vimeo channel. New episodes are released on the City’s public TV station ACCESS16 (channel 16). Released April 7

www.vimeo.com/CityOfSalisburyNC

S.P.D. OFFICER ATTENDS CAREER DAY

Master Police Officer M.P. Benjamin talks with an elementary school class during their career day.

Posted March 9

www.facebook.com/SalisburyPoliceDepartment

BIKE REPAIR STATION AT PARK

Can you fix it? Yes you can! The Peddle Factory in Downtown Salisbury donated and installed a bike repair station at the Salisbury Community Park (915 Harley School Rd.). Whether you are a hard core mountain biker or a novice peddler, or just out for a walk with your stroller, this station will allow you to make minor repairs to your equipment and pump your tires. Be sure to check it out on the right side of the drive leading to the lake.

Posted February 14

www.facebook.com/Parks-And-Recreation-Department

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Shop Local, Eat Fresh

The Salisbury-Rowan Farmer’s Market is opening soon in downtown Salisbury.

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Salisbury is a Tree City USA

31 consecutive years of celebrating and protecting trees.

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The Salisbury Farmers Market mission statement: to provide an opportunity for local producers to sell fresh produce and other commodities directly to consumers while providing consumers opportunities to buy locally grown produce and other locally produced commodities.

April Events

- Community Action Planning Sessions
  - Wallace Educational Forum: April 3, 6 - 9 p.m.
  - Livingston College: April 6, 6 - 8 p.m.
  - Salisbury Civic Center: April 8, 10 a.m. - noon
  - J.F. Hurley YMCA: April 29, 10 a.m. - noon

- Meetings with the Manager
  - City Hall: May 1, 9 -10 a.m.
  - City Council Meetings
    - City Hall: May 2 & 16, starts 5 p.m.

- Dinner and a Movie
  - Enjoy a free outdoor screening of "The Rook of Life" and buy dinner from a local food truck on site!
  - Bring a blanket or chair
  - Spencer Library Park: May 6, starts 7 p.m.
  - City Hall: May 28, starts 7 p.m.

- Middle School Farm
  - Open to all Rowan County students until sold out, SIT/Ticket, advance purchase only with beginning 4/20 at a City recreation facility.
  - Salisbury Civic Center: May 13, 6 - 9 p.m.
  - 315 S. MLK Jr. Ave.

- Fire Department Open House
  - Join your kids to your local Fire Station for a free tour and hands-on fun with vehicles.
  - Fire Station #2: May 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
  - 231 S. Main St.

- Fur Fun 5K/Walk for the PAWS
  - Proceeds go towards construction of the dog park.
  - Register at www.salisburyunc.gov/play.
  - Salisbury Civic Center: May 20, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.
  - 315 S. MLK Jr. Ave.

- Movies in the Park
  - A free outdoor showing of "Zootopia" with pre-movie entertainment! Concessions available.
    - Please bring a blanket or chair.
  - City Park: May 26, starts 9 p.m.
  - Lake Drive, at the end near the tennis courts

Fair Housing: Know Your Rights!

April is National Fair Housing Month, and the City of Salisbury wants you to know your rights. The Fair Housing Act of 1968 grants protections from discriminatory and/or fraudulent behavior when buying, renting, or acquiring funding for housing. Under the act, citizens may not be denied housing on the basis of religion, race, color, national origin, gender, disability, or family status.

Refusal to rent or sell a home
• Refusal to negotiate on a home
• Making housing unavailable
• Denying a home
• Setting different terms and conditions for selling or renting a home
• Providing different housing services or facilities
• Telling potential homeowners that the house is not available for inspection when in fact it is
• Persuading owners to sell or rent
• Denying access to a facility related to sale or rental of housing

Save these dates:
Every Wednesday & Saturday, April 15th - August 30th
Market opens from 8 a.m. until 12 noon
Corner parking lot of W. Fisher & S. Jackson Street in Salisbury

How do I file a Complaint?
If you or someone you know feels they have been discriminated against, they may pursue legal action through a Housing Discrimination complaint form. On the form, include the name and address of both you and the alleged (the respondent); the address of the housing involved in the case; and a brief description of the alleged violation and the date. Mail your complaint form to the Greensboro Housing and Urban Development Office, Asheville Building, 1500 Pinetree Road, Suite 401, Greensboro, NC 27407-3638. It is important to remember that citizens have one year after the alleged violation to file a complaint, so you are encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

You can download a Housing Discrimination complaint form at https://portal.hud.gov/hiv59350/form/59350StartAction or contact Planning Services at 237 South Main Street, (704) 638-5242. For more information or assistance, please contact the NC Human Relations Commission at (919) 807-4420 or the Housing and Urban Development Greensboro location at (336) 547-4000.

Salisbury is Again a Tree City USA

On Friday, April 28, Salisbury will celebrate Arbor Day with its annual community tree-planting event. Founded by Nebraska writer and agriculturalist, J. Sterling Morton in 1872, the Arbor Day holiday encourages people to plant trees and appreciate the natural environment in which they live. The presence of an urban forest within cities such as Salisbury, is important not only to the community at large, but for the continued preservation of our natural resources within urban developments.

The City is looking to plant more trees than last year, and considering the 95 percent increase in participation at last year’s event, the outlook is positive.

Mark Martin, city arborist and downtown landscape coordinator said, “You get a different feeling in communities that have trees. Martin, who has served the city for over 22 years, has seen the growth of the tree program flourish and extend to multiple departments within the city that help to maintain the city’s tree inventory.

“If you want to know how important trees are, take a deep breath,” he said. “Trees have always been important to the community which has been named a ‘Tree City’ for 31 consecutive years. There are only 3,400 tree city USA’s and in a city of 33,000 people, that is pretty impressive. Martin continued.

The Tree City USA program is sponsored by the Arbor Day Foundation, US Forest Service, and National Association of State Foresters who set their efforts at identifying and recognizing communities that have committed to the welfare of trees within their cities.

For more information, please contact Mark Martin at (704) 638-5255.