Transit Wants To Hear From You

Salisbury Transit has partnered with ALLC.com, a transportation planning and engineering firm, to provide a comprehensive long-range public transportation master plan for its transportation system. The ultimate focus of the project is to improve the City of Salisbury’s fixed-route and demand-responsive services and engage the public to determine a strategic focus to meet the needs of the Salisbury community in the next 20 years. Included in project is the understanding of the overall ridership system satisfaction, rider and population demographics, as well as development patterns and plans within the service areas and the surrounding communities.

As part of the long-range planning, community survey, available in English and Spanish, will be provided online at salisburync.gov/TransitSurvey. The intent is to gain as much local community feedback as possible in order to craft a plan that will meet the Salisbury Transit System mobility needs.

New Tool Keeps An Eye On Water

Salisbury-Rowan Utilities (SRU) announces the full launch of a new, free web-based customer service tool called EyeOnWater. EyeOnWater gives customers their water usage data gathered by SRU’s “smart meters” in near real-time so they can manage their accounts down to the week, day, or even hour. Perhaps the most useful feature of EyeOnWater is its Leaks Alert tool. Customers can set up their account to warn them if their usage runs high, allowing them to quickly catch potentially expensive leaks.

EyeOnWater is easy to view, understand, and use. Clean icons and bar graphs clearly break down a customer’s water usage. Registered SRU customers can see their consumption and immediately adjust their usage to lower their bills. Every SRU customer can take advantage of this powerful tool at no cost. However, because the secure system displays their usage, SRU customers will need to sign up for this valuable tool at eyeonwater.com. After customers register, they are instantly given access to their account information.

For more information, visit salisburync.gov/EyeOnWater or you can call (704) 638-5300.

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WINTER SPRUCE UP week

JAN. 21 - 25
During Fall Spruce Up Week, Residents place items at the curb on your regular collection day before 7 a.m.

Old Appliances Tires Without Rims

NO COMPUTERS OR TVS

NO BUILDING MATERIALS

NO CARPET, PADDING, SHEETROCK, SINKS, LUMBER, COMMODES, WINDOWS, ETC.

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

NO BUSINESSSES

(704) 638-5300 ncasi@salisburync.gov salisburync.gov/SpruceUp

Time To Nominate For EDK Humanitarian Awards

The Elizabeth Duncan Koontz (EDK) Committee, a subcommittee of the Salisbury Human Relations Council (HRC), is currently accepting nominations for the 2019 Elizabeth Duncan Koontz Humanitarian Awards. This award recognizes people and/or groups from the Salisbury-Rowan community who have made important contributions to improving human relations in the areas of education, employment, housing, industry, business, civic, church, advocacy and community service. Nominations will be accepted until Friday, January 11, 2019. To nominate a person and/or group, please visit www.salisburync.gov/EDKNomination.

This award is named in memory of Elizabeth “Libby” Koontz who was one of the organizers who re-established the Human Relations Council in 1985. The Salisbury Human Relations Council was created to identify concerns in the area of human relations, make recommendations regarding issues and engage in activities, which shall be deemed best to the community for all citizens. The HRC consists of sixteen (16) members, eight to be appointed by the City Council of Salisbury and eight to be appointed by the Human Relations Council.

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Holiday Storefront Decoration Award Winners

Salisbury’s Community Appearance Commission (CAC) members recently selected winners for the 34th annual Holiday Storefront Decorations Awards. The event celebrates downtown merchants whose window displays best capture the holiday season.

The jury of CAC members viewed over 45 seasonal displays created by downtown businesses. The CAC selected eight awards to recognize the seasonal creativity of ten different shopkeepers.

Maison Monroe, at 105 W. Innes St., was a unanimous choice for The Best Overall Award for its quintessentially southern display using dried hydrangeas and Spanish moss complemented by shades of pale aqua and twinkling lights to capture the soft glow of the season.

This season’s Classical Elegance award goes to both Tonyan Grace and Caniche, both located in the 200 block of South Main St. Lora Belle Baby and Skinny Wheels tied for the Christmas in Motion award. The Silent Night award goes to the peaceful display of a willow bower trimmed with twinkling lights and set for a nighttime toast at Salisbury Wine Shop. Southern Sass, next to the Meroney Theatre, is this year’s winner of the Best Nighttime Display. The jury awarded the Taking Time for Christmas award to Walser Tech Group for its window showing the personality of the business.

Faced with the challenge of choosing between long-established entrants and multiple new competitors, the group decided to honor The Lettered Lily and Textile Products with the Christmas by Design award.

The Chairman of the Commission, Dr. Tim Wynn, stated, “These awards recognize the efforts of downtown businesses in creating beautiful window displays that enhance the downtown and bring joy to its visitors.”

The 35th annual awards will be held on January 21, 2020, with a reception and awards ceremony at the Salvation Army on South Main St.

#PositiveGossip

FIRE STATION 1 CHEERED BY CAROLERS

North Hills kindergarteners, our favorite Christmas carolers, made their annual stop at Station 1 Friday to spread their kindness and Christmas cheer to the firefighters. Always a treat and thanks.

SHOP WITH A COP PROGRAM HELPS KIDS

Today was just a great day all together. We were invited to be part of the Shop with a Cop program. I am pretty sure our officers enjoyed it just as much as the kids did! By the way, have we told you that we have pretty spectacular youths in our community?

CITY LAKE PARK UPDATE ON THE ALGAE

Salisbury Parks and Recreation Department Director Nick Acies provides an overview of messes being taken to address the algae overgrowth at City Lake Park. Carp will be added in the lake to eat the algae, and eventually the lake will be re-dredged.

FUN WITH PICKLEBALL

The Salisbury Parks and Recreation Department and Adventure Rowan enjoying an evening of fun. Thank you to all who attended, it was a fun night! We met some future Pickleball players!

CITY STAFF PARTICIPATE IN SPECTACULAR

Salisbury NC Fire Department and Salisbury Police Department are leading the Salisbury portion of the “This is the Season Spectacular! Let the parade begin!”

EMPOLOYE SPOTLIGHT

BRYAN SOLOMON, MAINTENANCE WORKER

If you’ve seen public services crews working, you have probably seen Bryan Solomon. He is a native of Salisbury and a seven-year veteran of the City of Salisbury Public Services Department. As a maintenance worker, Bryan performs his job throughout the year in varying weather conditions for extended periods of time.

His duties include limb and leaf collection, street maintenance and snow removal during inclement weather. “The favorite part of my job is that every day is something different. Working with public services, I am not limited to being in a truck all the time or doing one task repeatedly. I also have the opportunity to come face-to-face with people in my community and by doing my job it allows me to help them. This is an aspect of my job that makes it rewarding.”