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SOMETHING NEW FOR JAMESTOWN

I requested Jamestown staff members to share "the news" with citizens in a Jamestown newsletter that will initially be published quarterly. As we prepare to issue our first *Walking With History* publication, I see that we have much to share and that our staff is excited for the opportunity to "show and tell". It may be necessary to publish more often to allow this very vocal, active staff to share their news!

During the last several months, the Town developed a new website, adopted a new town seal, and created a logo to use on town equipment and properties. You may view the new website, seal, and logo at www.jamestown-nc.gov as well as additional news and notices. The website provides forms and information about town services, town history, elected officials, and links to other local government sites.

The town staff is very accessible and we invite citizens to call, email, or simply stop by



New Town seal and logo approved this spring.

our offices for assistance. We also encourage citizens to visit our town website and enter their contact email information so that we may build our database to provide a more efficient means of communication in the future. Safety, integrity, and excellence



are words connected to our staff efforts to

provide our residents with small town charm and superior service.

Kathryn "Cookie" Billings
 Town Manager

Special points of interest:

- Fire Prevention Week Oct 5th-11th
- New rates effective Oct 1
- Oct 4 2nd Annual 5k Fun Run
- Leaf collection will begin Oct 20

HYDRANT FLUSHING DEVICES

Public Services staff equipped hydrants with recently purchased hydrant flushing devices. These five devices are placed in areas where flushing is



needed to help improve water quality. The units can be programmed to activate the hydrant to flush during low demand periods.

HELLO FROM THE CLERK'S CORNER

Summer is sizzling along. The July 4th Parade sponsored by the Jamestown Lions Club has passed. The Main Street July 4th Decorating Contest is over. The Town of Jamestown was the proud winner of the Spirit Award this year. September rolls in with Labor Day. The Town of Jamestown will be closed on Monday, September 1st, 2008. Then, folks look forward to Yesterday In Motion, September 27th, sponsored by the Jamestown Lions Club. Another chance for fun is the Barbecue at the Jamestown Public Library on September 27th, 2008. Lots of food and music.

The month of October will be busy for Jamestown as we have several big events

scheduled. October 4th is the Jamestown Rotary Club Horse Show. Then, The Town of Jamestown, JBA and the Ragsdale YMCA partner together for the 5K Fun Run on October 4th, 2008 at 8:00 am. This Fun Run is held at the Jamestown Golf Course. There will be a Community Health Fair on Saturday October 18, 2008 at the Civic Center with free health screenings.

All citizens are always invited to attend the Town Council meetings which are held at the Town Hall on the 3rd Tuesday of each month. Planning & Zoning meetings are also open to the public and held the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:30 pm. Please check the Town web-



site for meeting dates of other Town Boards and Commissions. Volunteers are always needed to serve the Town, please contact me for information on opportunities to serve your community.

Martha Stafford Wolfe, CMC
Town Clerk
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JUNIOR GOLF CLINICS AT JAMESTOWN PARK

The Junior Golf program for the summer of 2008 at Jamestown Park Golf club is aimed at hosting beginning to intermediate level junior golfers, both boys and girls ages 6-15. The program provides weekly instruction covering all facets of the game of golf. An introduction to the rules of

golf, etiquette of the game, as well as the fundamentals of playing the game of golf will be covered during the summer instruction series. The golf professionals at Jamestown Park instruction during the series will emphasize the development of the motor skills sets required to master

the golf swing. The goal of the series is to provide an opportunity to a significant number of junior golfer's professional instruction that will lead to a lifetime of participation in one of sports greatest games...**Golf!**

Michael Hutcheon
Golf Pro



FINANCE NOTE\$

The fiscal year for all units (municipality or county) in North Carolina runs from July 1st to June 30th. The fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 has recently ended; thus the Town's finance department is in the process of closing out the year, preparing Comprehensive Annual Financial Statements, and making preparations for the performance of the annual audit. The Town of Jamestown has retained the firm of Dixon Hughes PLLC to perform the annual audit of the Town's financial records. The auditors will be at the Town during the latter part of August and will issue an opinion on the Town's financial statements when the audit is concluded. The auditors will then present the audit report to the Town Council at one of its regularly scheduled council meetings. The Town has also decided to post the financial reports on the Town website www.jamestown-nc.gov. The audited financial statements for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2007 are currently posted and may be accessed from the Finance Department's page. The current budget for the Town is also posted on this page.

The Town is also encouraging the employees to participate in giving to the United Way. A campaign kick-off meeting will be held in August. This year the Town will run as a Pacesetter campaign.

New Town rates will be effective in October and are available on the home page at www.jamestown-nc.gov.



PINECROFT SEDGEFIELD FIRE DEPARTMENT

October 5-11th is Fire Prevention Week. Pinecroft Sedgefield FD will be visiting the kindergarten through 2nd graders teaching them about fire safety during the entire month of October. This year's theme for Fire Prevention is Preventing Home Fires. Below is a checklist that you can use to help prevent home fires:

FIRE SAFETY CHECKLIST

- Install and maintain a working smoke alarm outside of every sleep area and remember to change the battery at least once a year.

- Designate two escape routes from each bedroom and practice them regularly.
- Teach everyone the "Stop, Drop and Roll" technique in case clothing catches on fire.
- Avoid storing old mattresses in the home or garage.
- Teach kids that matches, lighters and candles are tools not toys. If you suspect that a child is playing with fire, check under beds and in closets for telltale signs like burned matches.

Matches and lighters should be stored in a secure drawer or cabinet.

Upcoming Events

Oct 4 will be our annual BBQ sale. Tickets will be available from any of our firefighters for \$8 for 1 lb. of BBQ and slaw, take out only.

Oct 18 we will be doing a Fill the Boot campaign to help raise money for MDA. Firefighters will be at Main St & Guilford Rd from 9am to 1pm collecting cash donations.



WHAT DOES A PLANNER DO?

Two years ago, the Town Manager and Town Council of Jamestown established a 'Planning Department' at the Town of Jamestown and I was privileged enough to have the opportunity to become the Town's first Planner. So, you might ask, "What **DOES** a Planner do?" Well, hopefully I can answer some of your questions in this column.

In Jamestown, the Planner is responsible for a number of tasks. Among the most important tasks are the administration and enforcement of the Town's Development Ordinance, which includes zoning enforcement, subdivision regulation and enforcement of the Town's

policies and standards. We also work closely with citizens, Council members, local developers, businesses and other civic leaders to help enhance our community and protect the general welfare of our citizens.

At the present time, the Planning Department is working hard on a number of large projects. Currently, the Planning staff is working on rewriting our Development Ordinance, expanding our extra-territorial jurisdiction (ETJ), establishing a Deep River Paddle/Greenway Trail, and a Master Pedestrian Plan, just to name a few! You can find out more about each of these projects by visiting our website (www.jamestown-nc.gov) under

the "News & Notices" section or by following along on my Blog site at www.jamestownplanningnews.blogspot.com. I will try to post information about major events and 'happenings' as often as possible.

As always, I would welcome suggestions or questions and I would encourage you to contact me at Town Hall at 454-1138 between 8:30AM-5:00PM, Monday-Friday or via email at mjohnson@jamestown-nc.gov. I would be particularly interested in seeing citizens pose a "Question to the Planner", where I could respond and give out information in this column. Please submit your questions or suggestions to me and I will include them in future Newsletters.

Matthew Johnson
Planning Director

*The meeting to discuss
the new ETJ will be
Sept. 16*

KEEPING THE GREENS GREEN

If you have ever been to the Jamestown Park to play a round of golf, you can truly appreciate the work of Golf Superintendent Jay Gardner and his crew. They work behind the scenes to insure the greens are green, the cart paths are clear and the course is ready for play. As you play a round, you will see the crew working but their goal is to not be noticed. They

work very hard to not become obstacles to golfers on the course.

Jay is proud of his guys and the job they do.

Back row, left to right: Jay Gardner, Mike Sawyer, Roger Duncan, Jim Corcoran, Dave Ingram, Dave Wadford,



Jay Gardner and Crew.

Bob Shortall,
Tim Rogers,
Justin May.
Front row: Gary Morrison, Jason Lambert, Scott Coakley, Glenn Money, Russell Bayne.



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Gibson Park

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Upcoming Events

- August 12 2:00pm Public Meeting on ETJ Expansion
- August 14 5:00pm Public Meeting on ETJ Expansion
- August 19 7:00pm Town Council Meeting & Public Hearing on Tree Ordinance
- Mid-August Jamestown Park begins taking entries for Fall Classic
- September 1 Labor Day (Town Hall closed)
- September 3 6:00pm Public Input Session on Proposed Downtown Development
- September 4 6:00pm Public Review Session on Proposed Downtown Development
- September 5 1:30pm Open House for Proposed Sign Ordinance
- September 16 7:00pm Town Council Meeting & Public Hearing on ETJ Expansion
- September 27 Yesteryear in Motion / Jamestown Library BBQ
- October 1 New Rates effective
- October 4 8:00am 2nd Annual 5k Fun Run at Jamestown Park
- October 11-12 5th Annual Jamestown Fall Classic Golf Tournament
- October 20 Loose Leaf Collection Begins
- October 21 7:00pm Town Council Meeting

LEAF COLLECTION BEGINS OCT 20

The Town of Jamestown's annual Leaf Collection Program begins October 20th and will end on March 13th. The program provides residents with the opportunity to have loose leaves collected at roadside without the need of bagging. The program is operated on a routing system that is based on our staff completing one leaf collection route of the town in approximately 3 to 4 weeks. Once a route is completed, then staff returns to the beginning of the same planned route and begins again. To use the Leaf Collection Program simply:



Jamestown leaf truck in action.

-Do not park vehicles on, in front of, or near your leaves.

The leaf collection program helps keep leaves from blocking storm drains and prevents decaying leaves from polluting lakes and streams. The collected leaves are made into compost to fertilize City gardens and landscaped areas.

In addition to the collection program, residents are encouraged to recycle their leaves by composting or shredding them and using them as fertilizer for lawns and gardens. You can also use leaves as mulch to protect plants and shrubs. For more information on mulching or composting leaves, call the Guilford County Cooperative Extension Service at 375-5876.

-Rake leaves to the edge of your yard behind the curb.

-Remove sticks, rocks, and other debris which can damage the Town's equipment. If staff encounters debris in the leaf pile, they will discontinue collection at the property.

shredding them and using them as fertilizer for lawns and gardens. You can also use leaves as mulch to protect plants and shrubs. For more information on mulching or composting leaves, call the Guilford County Cooperative Extension Service at 375-5876.

Jamestown residents can also use the Town's year-round yard waste pickup for leaves. Simply put your leaves in clear plastic bags and set them at the curb on your regular trash collection day.