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# Around the Rock

Town of Blowing Rock  
Bi-Monthly Newsletter

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## Important Numbers

Town Hall.....295-5200  
Planning & Inspection.....295-5240  
Water/Sewer/Garbage.....295-5200  
Parks & Recreation.....295-5222  
Water - After Hours.....295-5210

## Non-Emergency

Police Department.....295-5210  
Fire Department.....295-5220

## Upcoming Meetings

### Town Council

09/07/2010 7:00 p.m.  
10/12/2010 7:00 p.m.

### Planning Board

09/16/2010 7:00 p.m.  
10/21/2010 7:00 p.m.

### ABC Board

09/15/2010 3:00 p.m.  
10/12/2010 3:00 p.m.

### Tourism Development Authority

10/06/2010 3:30 p.m.

## Upcoming Events

Town Offices Closed for Labor Day:  
September 6th

Art in the Park:  
September 11th, October 2nd

Halloween Festival:  
October 30th



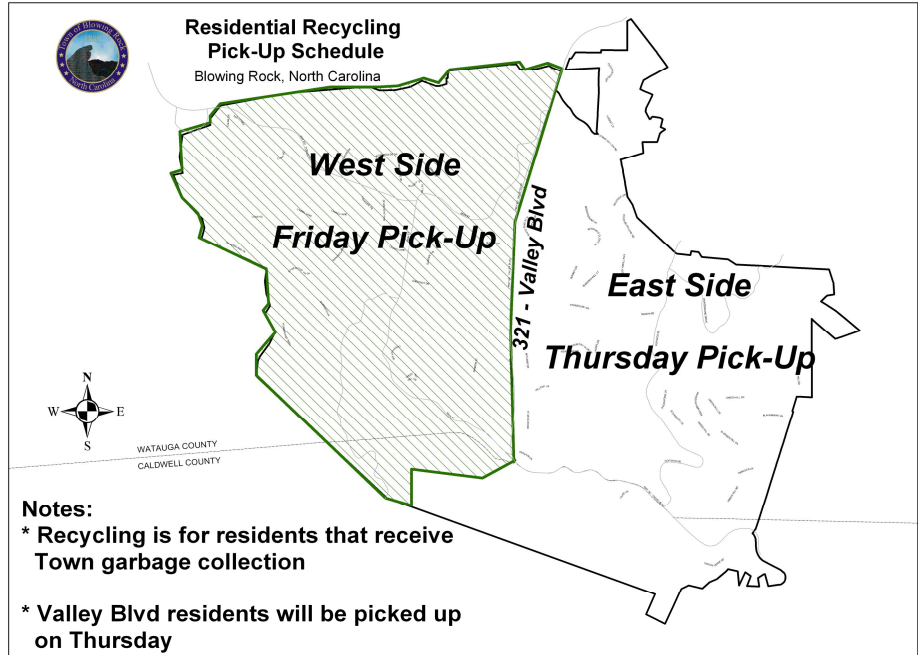
Blue Ridge Heritage Days:  
September 17th-19th  
Guided Tours, Trivia, Games,  
Parade of Cars, Music, and  
Dancing!

Join the Fun and Learn All  
About the Town you Love!

## Residential Curbside Program has Begun!



Recycle bins have been distributed and residential recycling has begun around town with weekly pick-up on the east side of town on Thursdays and pick-up on the west side of town on Fridays. See below for a map of the two routes. If you did not receive your bin please call Town Hall at (828) 295-5200 to schedule a day to have your bin delivered.



Residential recycling is a contracted service performed by GDS, Inc. If you have any questions or problems with your collection please call the GDS Route Supervisor at (828) 964-2193 or the Service Department at (828) 698-7778.

### Items that can be picked up:

Newspaper and inserts  
Magazines and Catalogs— clip off name and address  
Phonebooks & Paperback books  
Plastic- #1, #2, #3, #7—the symbol is printed on or near the bottom of most bottles  
Aluminum, metal, and tin cans— labels do not have to be removed  
Green, Clear, and Brown Glass— not broken

### Items that cannot be picked up:

Light bulbs      Cookware  
Drinking glasses      Medicine bottles  
Cereal boxes      Cardboard  
Building material      Waxed paper  
Styrofoam      Grocery bags  
Mail      Hardcover book  
Aluminum foil      Mirrors

## Bi-Annual Clean-Up

The Town has scheduled the "Fall Bi-Annual Clean-Up" during the week of October 11 - 15. Please do not block any ditches or drains. This pick-up includes white goods, yard debris (leaves, tree branches), mattresses, paint cans, etc. Paint cans need to be opened for paint to solidify or add cat litter to paint to absorb liquid. Residents do not need to call Town Hall to have their names on a list. The Bi-Annual Clean-Up is offered in the fall and spring of each year.

*\*Watauga County Landfill will be accepting full paint containers from 9am to 2pm on October 2nd. For more information contact the Watauga County Sanitation office at 828-264-5305.*





# Halloween Festival

## October 30, 2010 Schedule of Events

- Air Walks in Memorial Park: 3:00p.m.-8:00p.m.
- Games & Fun House in Rec. Center: 3:00p.m.-5:30p.m.
- Hay Rides through Blowing Rock: 4:00p.m.-8:00p.m.  
Meet in Memorial Park
- **THE MONSTER MARCH:**  
Line up at the American Legion at 5:30p.m.  
Parade starts at 5:45p.m.
- Trick or Treat Downtown: 6:00p.m.-until  
Look for Black and Orange Balloons
- Bonfire in the Park: 6:30p.m.-9:00p.m.
- Costume Contest: 7:00p.m.  
Sign up at the Rec. Center by: 6:45p.m.  
(White Building by the Tennis Courts)
- Scavenger Hunt - Broyhill Lake: Following Costume Contest  
Bring your flashlight! (ages 6-13)  
Participate in teams (max: 3 per group)



## Progress on BRAHM Parking Facility



A large crane was erected just off Chestnut Street at the BRAHM parking facility site a few weeks ago. The precast concrete panels started arriving to the job site by large trucks around the last week of July. Crews will continue to construct the concrete panels and deck framing over the next several months.

## Paving Update

Approved fiscal year 2010-2011 contracted paving has recently been completed by Midstate Contractors Inc. Streets paved include Elizabeth Ln., Sunset Dr. from Possum Hollow to Goforth Rd., Edgewood Path to Wonderland Trail, Laurel Ln. from Clark St. to Edgewood Path and Morningside Dr.

**Happy 75th Anniversary Blue Ridge Parkway!**

## BRPD Hires New Officer

Police Chief Eric Brown is pleased to announce the hiring of Sarah Fetterolf, effective August 16, for a police officer position. Ms. Fetterolf comes to Blowing Rock from Mountain Television Network MTN-18. Sarah has extensive experience in television news broadcasting, which brought her to the area in 2000 working for Charter Communications.



Police Officer Sarah Fetterolf

Officer Fetterolf graduated from Caldwell Community College with a Basic Law Enforcement Training Certificate (BLET) in May of this year where she comes highly recommended from the BLET Director. Ms. Fetterolf also possesses a BS degree in Electronic Media Production from Radford University.

Ms. Fetterolf resides in Avery County. Please join us in welcoming Officer Fetterolf to the Blowing Rock Police Department.

## Operation Medicine Cabinet

Watauga County's Operation Medicine Cabinet drug collection will take place on Saturday, October 2nd at four sites in the county. Any unused, unwanted or outdated prescriptions or over the counter drugs can be turned in without any questions asked, from 10 AM to 2 PM that Saturday at the Food Lions in Blowing Rock, Boone, or Deep Gap or at the Foscoe Fire Department. All collected substances will be safely disposed of by the Watauga County Sheriff's Department. Please don't flush unwanted pharmaceuticals. Turn them in and keep them out of the water supply and away from our youth.



## Water Interconnection Update

Work is progressing well on the water line interconnect between Blowing Rock and Boone. The contractor, Ronny Turner Construction Co, has installed approximately 50% of the 12-inch water line along US 321. Crews are currently working from both ends, progressing toward the mid point near Tweetsie. The \$3.3 million project, which is being funded by a combination of grant and loan funds, is expected to be complete and operational by January 2011.

