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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

Non-Emergency

Police Admin.....295-5212
Fire Admin.....295-5220

Emergency Police & Fire.....911

Upcoming Meetings

Town Council

09/11/2012 5:30 p.m.
10/09/2012 5:30 p.m.

Planning Board

09/20/2012 5:30 p.m.
10/18/2012 5:30 p.m.

ABC Board

09/20/2012 3:00 p.m.
10/18/2012 3:00 p.m.

Tourism Development Authority

10/02/2012 3:30 p.m.

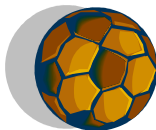
Upcoming Events

Town Offices Closed for Labor Day:
September 3rd



Robbin's Pool at Broyhill
Park Season Ends:
September 3rd

Kinder Soccer Begins:
September 4th



Art in the Park:
September 8th, October 6th

Halloween Festival:
October 27th



Bi-Annual Clean-Up

The Town has scheduled the "Fall Bi-Annual Clean-Up" during the week of October 15-19. 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 Saturday, October 27th. For more information contact the Watauga County Sanitation office at 828-264-5305.*

Pool Picnic Pavilion Ribbon Cutting:

A special thank you to the following for their support!

- Appalachian Energy/ G&B Energy
- Blowing Rock ABC Store
- Blowing Rock Appearance Advisory Commission
- Blowing Rock Boy Scout Troop 101
- Blowing Rock Chamber of Commerce
- Blowing Rock Market
- Blowing Rock Rotary Club
- Boxwood Lodge/ Blowing Rock Inn
- Chandler Concrete
- First Citizens Bank
- 4 Forty Four, Inc.
- Freeman Concrete Concepts
- Frye Signs, Inc.
- Gary Trivette Electric
- Inn at Ragged Garden/Ragged Gardens Maple Lodge
- Kilwin's Chocolates and Ice Cream
- New River Building Supply, Inc.
- Terry Lentz Construction
- Watauga High School Career & Technical Education Carpentry Class under the direction of Mr. Ronnie Story
- Mr. & Mrs. John Aldridge
- Mr. & Mrs. George Ball
- Mr. Bob Hess
- Mr. & Mrs. Scott Hildebran
- Mr. David Wray
- Mr. & Mrs. Joe Kiker
- Mr. David Mays
- Ms. Kay Morgan
- Ms. Alice Roess
- Mr. & Mrs. Charles Rogers
- Mr. Tom Shelley
- Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Starnes
- Mr. & Mrs. Jim Steele
- Mr. & Mrs. David Stevens
- Mr. & Mrs. Ronny Turner
- Mr. & Mrs. Steve Watson
- Mr. Albert Yount
- All Town Departments

Have You Received Your Town Survey?



The Comprehensive Plan Public Opinion Survey is now online. The survey will provide Town officials with public opinions on various topics and help gather information for the future direction of the Town through the comprehensive planning process. Each property owner household should have received a post card notice of the survey with specific instructions, including a login and password. Should you have trouble accessing the site, visit the town's website: www.townofblowingrock.com and click on "TOWN SURVEY" in the Public Notices section on the right side of the home page. The survey will remain online through September 15, 2012. Paper surveys will also be available upon request by calling (828) 295-5240.

Town Projects Update

- **Roof Work:** New roofing was recently completed at the American Legion Building. Town Hall is also scheduled for roof replacement in the next couple of weeks. Both jobs are contracted by Blowing Rock Property Services.



- **Streetscape- Phase III:** The next phase of the downtown streetscape project on Main Street is underway with new curb and gutter, pavers, and sidewalk to be installed from Storie Street to the south end of St. Mary's property. Drainage for the project was installed earlier this year by Waters Brothers Construction. Mountain Crest Construction will complete the concrete work and the remainder of the project.



- **Wastewater Plant Improvements:** Greene Construction, Inc. has begun on-site work on the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements Project, with project completion to be no later than February 18, 2013. The improvements include a new emergency generator to replace the existing generator, new air piping and diffusers for the aeration basins, handrail repairs, and related appurtenances. The project received \$550,400 in low-interest loan assistance from the NC Clean Water State Revolving Fund. These funds were made available for a period of twenty (20) years, with an interest rate of 2.45%.



- **Davant Field:** Work continues on improvements to the Davant Field Garden (an area between the paved parking area and the ball field). The project, funded by the Blowing Rock Appearance Advisory Commission (BRAAC), consists of redesigning the flower beds, extension of a retaining wall, installation of concrete pads for the bleachers, drainage improvements, ADA access improvements, dead tree and limb removal, etc.



Main Street Repaving

Main Street will be milled and repaved from Hwy 221 to Valley Blvd at Broyhill Furniture. This project will be completed at night beginning August 27th. All work is expected to be completed in a few weeks. Maymead Construction is the contractor.

Halloween Festival

October 27, 2012
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 (White Building by the Tennis Courts) by 6:45p.m.)

- Scavenger Hunt - Broyhill Lake:** Following Costume Contest

Bring your flashlight! (ages 6-13)

Participate in teams (max: 3 per group)



Commercial Renovations

Subway restaurant is now open at 8180 Valley Blvd and the Bob Timberlake Restaurant at Chetola Resort's Manor House is open to the public.

Reminders



- The Code Red emergency notification system provides the Town of Blowing Rock with telephone calling system capable of delivering customized emergency messages directly to homes, businesses and mobile telephone users. If you are not already registered for this service, please go on to the Town's website at www.townofblowingrock.com. Once you are on the home page go to the bottom of the page and you will see a link to register for Code Red. If you have any questions please call Town Hall at (828)295-5200.

- NCDOT project website (www.ncdot.gov/projects/BlowingRock321/)



- NCDOT U.S. 321 Project Hotline at (828) 964-3260. The hotline is answered locally and can provide callers with real-time updates.