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CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS!

Our town of Cape Carteret is turning 50 years old and we are celebrating on June 6th, 2009 with an all day festival.

The Cape Carteret 50th Anniversary Festival Committee, consisting of approximately 40 members, has been working tirelessly since September of 2008 to plan a “once in our lifetime,” day to remember for the residents of our town. These volunteers live in every neighborhood in our community, including the “old town,” Cape Point, Country Club Point, Bayshore, Star Hill, Star Hill North and Quailwood. Committees were formed, fund raising has begun, and plans are being finalized.

The festival will be held on Golfin’ Dolphin Drive on the open ground between Ribeye’s Restaurant and MacDaddy’s. We plan to begin the day at 10:00 AM and festivities will go until 9:00 PM. There will be food and craft vendor booths, a beer tent, an antique car display, free games and inflatable rides for the children, Joy the Clown, Fire and EMS display with Sparky the Fire Dog and the North Carolina Aquarium’s Touch Tank. Child ID kits will be available.

What’s a festival without music! And music there will be. Not just one band, but three, and an all day DJ! Come dance, sing, and celebrate!

In the next couple of months you will be seeing and hearing more about our festival. Posters will be going up in storefronts and articles will appear in state and local publications. Obviously, this has taken a lot of planning and a lot of work on the part of this all volunteer committee. These folks have been working ferociously on our behalf. Now it’s time for all of us to pitch in and help so that everyone gets to enjoy this special day.

The Committee needs many volunteers the day before and the day of the festival to help set up and take down the rides, help with parking and monitor the children’s activities. We want everyone to have a great time! Please help. Anyone interested in volunteering, in any capacity, please contact Lynn Harkless through the town’s website at www.townofcapecarteret.com or call 252-393-3688.

Volunteer!

Music, Music, Music

The Cape Carteret Birthday Festival Entertainment Committee has been working fast and furious to provide a great day of family fun and entertainment on Saturday, June 6. We are especially thrilled to provide music of every type and for every generation, for the entire day

Getting things started, and staying with us from 10 AM to 9 PM, acting as host and DJ will be Linwood Hood. Known throughout the eastern North Carolina area, Linwood will provide music ranging from beach to rock and everything in-between. He'll be taking requests and maybe giving a little line dance instruction.

Love Big Band music? At 1 PM the big band music of Southern Aires will hit the stage. This 17 piece orchestra will play the music our parents grew up on and which has been revitalized by Sting, Michael Buble and Beyonce.

Next up, at 4 PM, put on your cowboy hat and boots and get ready to do some two-stepping with The Super Grit Cowboy Band. Known as "The South's Hottest Honky-Tonkers," the band plays western swing, country, bluegrass and rock & roll.

Finishing up the day at 7 PM will be the outstanding Infectious Blues Band. This lively four piece band is widely recognized for their wide range of "rocking" music. Infectious Blues is sure to get you up and dancing!

On top of that, the Morehead City Antique Car Club will have their automobiles ready for inspection during the day at the Ribeye's parking lot.

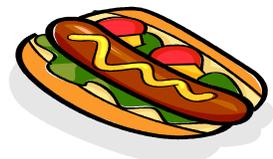
Be sure to bring chairs, blankets and dancing shoes so you can get comfortable and stay awhile on this "once in 50 years" celebration. Help be a part of the "little town that could" at the Gateway to the Crystal Coast – Cape Carteret!

-Pat Ruddiman, Entertainment Committee Chair



WANTED: VENDORS!!!

Arts & Craft and Food Vendors are needed for the 50th Anniversary Festival! Cost of the Arts & Craft booths are \$40 and booths for Food vendors is \$50. Food vendors will need to fill out a form for the Health Department and submit it no later than May 20th. Interested parties, please contact Bruce Gay at 252-393-4563. Come out and enjoy the fun!



“I Spy” Contest

Let’s have some fun! The Festival Publicity Committee is sponsoring a contest to see who can “spy” our largest festival logo first. There are lots of possibilities! Be the first and receive a basketful of goodies. Play “I Spy” and win!

Fill in the following entry form and mail to:

Logo Contest 311 Youpon Drive Cape Carteret, NC 28584
Name:
Address:
Phone Number:
Location of Logo:
Date and exact time found:

Tax Deductible Donations

In order to guarantee a first class event, John “Bubba” McLean and his committee are soliciting tax deductible donations from those who live and/or do business in the community.

Bikes-R-In of Cedar Point has graciously donated a beach cruiser bicycle valued at over \$300. The bike will be on display at various locations in the next few months including MacDaddy’s Entertainment Center and Lowe’s Foods. Tickets are just \$1 each and the winner need not be present to win.

Somerset Cellars of Morehead City has made available a Pinot Noir, a Chardonnay and a White Zinfandel commemorative labeled wine. The wine is available for purchase on the day of the festival only; however, pre-orders are being accepted at this time. Price per bottle is \$20.

Anyone interested in purchasing either bike raffle tickets or commemorative wine can contact John McLean at 242-422-8781 or Town Hall at 252-393-8483.





Operation InAsMuch



Residents of Cape Carteret needing assistance around the home, this is a chance to get help you may need!

Cape Carteret Baptist Church will be holding its second annual community wide Operation-In-As-Much, a one day mission to local residents on Saturday, April 25, 2009. On that day, volunteers from the church will provide assistance to those in need of help around the home. Last year, we had 125 volunteers participating in the event.

Some projects planned in and around the Cape Carteret community are:

- Construction of wheel chair ramps.
- Minor home improvements.
- Yard maintenance and minor improvements.
- Western Carteret Fire & EMS will distribute free fire alarms, have a sign up for free child car seats and have a puppet show for children in the Lowes Parking lot.
- A Health Fair including cholesterol and blood pressure checks as well as healthy eating information in the Lowes Parking lot.
- For ladies who wonder about their car's condition, we have a car check up in the church parking lot.
- Household cleaning, inside and outside
- Outside clean up at White Oak Elementary School.
- Sewing and delivery of blankets to local nursing homes.
- Roadside litter pick up along state maintained roads where needed most.

Operation InAsMuch is based on the Bible verse "I say to you, Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me." We would love to be of assistance to those in need. If you are aware of someone else's need, we would like to hear your suggestions as well.

For more information or to request assistance with a home project call the church at 252-393-2417. The secretary will take the information, and a volunteer will arrange to schedule your work.

Carteret Literacy Council

The Carteret Literacy Council offers free one-on-one tutoring to the adults and young people of Carteret County in the basic skills of reading, writing and mathematics. Learn how to share your love for reading with others by being a volunteer tutor. The Carteret Literacy Council provides the training you need to be certified as a tutor to those who need assistance to improve reading, writing and math skills. A few hours of your time can lead to a lifetime of fulfillment for someone else.

The next 4-session tutor training workshop begins in April:

- Tuesday April 21
- Thursday April 23
- Tuesday April 28
- Thursday April 30- **All four sessions are 5:00-8:00 PM.**

Call to register now! Reach the council at 252-808-2020, or email at CarteretLiteracy@CarteretLiteracy.org.



Garden Club Planning Flower Show

The Cape Carteret Garden Club is planning to hold a standard flower show on Wednesday, June 10th at the Western Park Community Center. It will be called “Celebrations” in conjunction with the Town of Cape Carteret’s 50th Anniversary celebration.

Floral arrangements will feature wedding bouquets, Father’s Day brunch table settings, “Welcome to Summer” wreaths, designs celebrating the town’s 50th Anniversary and an invitational class for judges with a 4th of July theme.

There will be many horticultural exhibits of foliage and flowers, as well as an Educational Division featuring an Ikebana display, a water garden from Carolina Home & Garden and a member of the Crystal Coast Beekeeper’s Association with a hive of live bees.

The flower show is free and open to the public.

-Jan Culver, Secretary



Tax Help Is Around the Corner

Free tax help for all low and middle income taxpayers and especially those folks over 60 is available each Wednesday at the Western Carteret Library. Hours are 9:00 AM-1:00 PM. Trained volunteers will be available until April 15th to help anyone who is interested.

Memos from Karen & Jennifer

Tax Collector's Report

All delinquent taxes will be listed in the Tideland Newspaper on April 1st. If you do not want your name in the paper please pay your taxes by March 25th, 5:00 PM.

A list of all delinquent taxpayers will be turned over to the attorney on April 30th. After that date an additional fee will be charged by the attorney and foreclosure proceedings will begin immediately. Do not increase your debt because of attorney fees. Pay no later that April 29th, 2009. Remember, we do have a drop box in front of Town Hall.

Clerk's Report

The boat ramp has been improved and looks terrific! Make sure you have the correct colored pass, which is GREEN. If you still have a blue or orange pass and you use it, "Oops- that's a \$200 fine."



Don't forget that the town helps pay for swimming lessons. The voucher is \$30 off the cost of the lessons. You may enroll your child into more than one class. Just go to the Cape Carteret Aquatic and Wellness Center and fill out a form. Please remember that you must be a RESIDENT of Cape Carteret. Proof will be required by the showing of a current driver's license.

Times are tough and ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES is there to help. You may purchase the package from us at Town Hall (cash only) or go to www.angelfoodministries.com and order online with a credit card.

The Board has submitted a grant for sidewalks. Keep your fingers crossed. Thanks, David, for all the long hours you spent putting that 20+ page grant together.

Mosquito season will be upon us very soon. Please help by checking birdbaths and all containers that may collect water and empty them. Buddy will spray as necessary during the evenings, weather permitting.

Public Notice

Beginning April 2009 all Cape Carteret Work Session and Regular Meetings will begin at 7 PM. Hopefully this will be more convenient for our residents and you will join us for the Town Meetings.

-Karen Zornes, Town Clerk

April Large Scale Pick Up

Residents on the **South side of Highway 24** must have your large scale items **out by Sunday, April 19th** but no earlier than April 17th. Buddy and his crew will start picking up the items on Monday the 20th. No items may be placed after the 19th on the South side. They will not be picked up!

Residents on the **North side of Highway 24** must have their large scale items **out by April 22nd**. Buddy will start picking up your items on April 23rd. No items may be placed after the 22nd on the North side.

This is the time to get rid of those large items you can't get to the landfill.

The following items will NOT be picked up: Batteries, Paints, Motor oil, Pesticides, Construction debris, Hazardous materials or Yard debris.



Scheduled Leaf Pick Up

Please put your leaf piles and branches **SEPARATELY** on the right-of-way **ONLY** the weekend of May 2nd. The Maintenance department will collect the yard debris during the week of May 4th-8th.

NO YARD DEBRIS MAY BE PLACED AFTER MAY 3RD.

From the Desk of Police Chief Miller

On December 1, 2008, I was honored and privileged to be hired as the Chief of the Cape Carteret Police Department. I began my law enforcement career with the Morehead City Police Department in 1996 after I retired from the U.S. Marine Corps. At the time I was hired by Cape Carteret, I was a Captain in charge of the Special Operations Division and the Chief Detective for the department. While my entire law enforcement career has been in Morehead City, my home and heart have been in Cape Carteret. Now I am fortunate to be able to lead the department that serves the citizens of my community.

What I have found in this agency are skillful and dedicated officers who are committed to providing a high standard of excellence in their work. As your Police Chief I assure you that we will continue to put forth a great deal of effort to improve the quality of service that our residents and visitors expect and deserve. While our primary role is that of law enforcement, we will put a high priority on service to the community. We understand that building, cultivating and maintaining the community's trust is a key element in crime reduction.

The Police Department takes great pride in the low crime rate in the Town of Cape Carteret. We do, however, recognize that maintaining a safe community is only possible because of a strong and valued relationship between our department and the citizens of Cape Carteret. Our citizens have always recognized the importance of watching out for one another and have demonstrated this by maintaining a very active and dedicated Community Watch Program. Because of the citizen cooperation and involvement, the Cape Carteret Police Department is able to more effectively protect and serve the people who live, work, and visit our community.

As your Chief of Police, I will always be open to suggestions on ways that this department can better serve you. I also depend on you, the citizens, to be our eyes and ears in the community. Cape Carteret is a wonderful place to live and raise a family. Together, we can keep it that way.



Invitation

The Chief of Police will give a presentation on: Identity Theft and The Scams Going Around Town on May 21, 2009 at 2:00 PM at Western Carteret Community Center. Call Chief Miller for more information at 252-393-2183.