



Town of Fletcher

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November 2017

PRIDE IN OUR PAST—FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

Town Council

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Sheila Franklin, Councilwoman
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District #2 Ph. 684-7093

Bob Davy, Councilman
District #3 Ph. 687-0313

Eddie Henderson, Mayor Pro-
Tem
District #4 Ph. 684-8005

Town Phones

Town Manager.....687-3985
Police/Fire
Emergency..... 911
Police Dispatch 697-4911
Police (Business#)... 687-7922
Parks & Rec687-0751
Public Works..... 654-9208

Town Meetings

Town Council Agenda Meeting
1st Monday of Month at
6:00 pm

Town Council Meeting
2nd Monday of Month at 7 pm

Planning Board Meeting
3rd Tuesday of Month at 7 pm

**All Meetings are held at Town
Hall 300 Old Cane Creek
Road**

The Town of Fletcher Newsletter is published for residents of the Town and reports on issues and events that affect our community. You are encouraged to contact us with your questions and comments.
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At the November Town Council meeting:

Council members set a public hearing for November 13, 2017, in order to consider an application for "The Groves at Town Center"—a 168 unit apartment complex at 35 Howard Gap Road.

A resolution was approved for Fletcher Police Department to receive a grant in the amount of \$39,000 from the NC Governor's Highway Safety Program.

Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, updated Council on the bidding schedules for the road resurfacing and drainage improvements at the Fletcher Community Park. He also updated Council members on the Parks & Recreation Maintenance building project.

Councilwoman, Sheila Franklin, was appointed to the Henderson County Water & Sewer Advisory Committee.

NOVEMBER 7, 2017

GENERAL ELECTIONS

Municipal elections for the Town of Fletcher will be held on Tuesday November 7, 2017.

Board of Elections Lobby is the **only** One Stop site for all municipalities. **One Stop voting began October 19, 2017 and will continue until Saturday, November 4, 2017.**

75 E. Central St.
Hendersonville, NC
828-697-4970

October 30-Nov 3 (Monday – Friday) 8:30 am – 5:00 pm

November 4 (Saturday) 8:30 am – 1:00 pm

For more information concerning voting in the Municipal election, please go to www.hendersoncountync.org/elections or call 828-697-4970.

The Holiday season is right around the corner and Calvary Episcopal Church Food Pantry needs your help!

The Food Pantry is open every Saturday morning to anyone in need of food and personal care items. Many families and individuals are struggling at this time of year,.

Calvary's Food Pantry is supported by donations from Calvary and other churches, businesses, individuals, and service organizations and food is obtained from direct donations, direct purchase, and through MANNA FoodBank of Asheville. Monetary donations are also needed!

Take your donations to the church at 2840 Hendersonville Road—across from Ingles! Consider adding this food pantry to your Holiday gift list—no gift wrapping required and no returns necessary!





Bagged leaf pickup will continue every Monday until the end of December.

Work orders for pickup need to be entered online at the Town's website www.fletchernc.org, under the "How Do I?" link at the top right side of the home page. Work orders may also be called into Public Works at 654-9208 and leave a message with request and address, or call Town Hall at 687-3985. Work orders must be placed **before** Mondays of each week for pick up that week.

Leaves need to be bagged and at curbside by 7:00 a.m. Please no grass clippings, pampas grass, mulch, dirt, or rocks are allowed as leaves will be composted!

Please don't rake or blow leaves to the curb or into the streets to wash into storm drains. This is an annual problem that causes major issues for drainage systems.

So rake 'em, bag 'em, and call for pickup or go online to place a work order!



Property tax payments may be mailed to 300 Old Cane Creek Road, or paid in person at Town Hall, Monday—Friday, 8 a.m.—5 p.m. A drop box is located for "after hours" pay-

ments in the south side parking lot of Town Hall. It is monitored by surveillance cameras 24 hours a day. Or a resident may view and/or pay their Town taxes online. At the Town's website: www.fletchernc.org, go to the "How do I?" link at the top right side of the home page. You will need your roll number or account from your tax bill and your bank routing and checking account numbers. The Town of Fletcher does not accept credit or debit cards.

Partial payments may be made, but must be paid in full by January 5, 2018 to avoid penalties and interest.

Taxing governments in North Carolina are not legally obligated to furnish property owners a tax notice. It is the responsibility of the citizen to know that they owe taxes in that jurisdiction—just as you know that you are responsible for state and federal income taxes. We make every effort to get notices to the correct address, but the tax obligation still exists even if the taxpayer does not receive a bill!

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

654-9208

Jabbo Pressley - Director

TRASH TALK

Please follow the guidelines for trash disposal using the roll-out cans! All trash **must be bagged** within the roll-out trash receptacle! This is to prevent trash from blowing out when the can is lifted into the truck. If Public Works employees discover the contents are not bagged, they will tag the can and not pick up the contents! **Do not leave bags of trash outside of the rolling carts or leave the carts in the roadway.** Public Works employees have encountered a continuing problem with residents leaving loose trash or additional bags or boxes of trash placed beside the rolling trash cans. Due to recent high winds, employees have been physically laying the trash cans down to keep the wind from blowing them into the road. We ask that you write your address on the lid of your trash cart with an indelible marker to help you identify your cart.



You may now request a brush pickup online! Go to the Town website—www.fletchernc.org—and you may access the link either from the "How do I?" link at the top or through the Public Works department link. Brush pick up does start on Monday mornings (unless it is a holiday) and pick up requests must be in before Monday morning.

We cannot chip lumber, railroad ties, building materials, telephone poles, or fence posts. Any brush piles containing these materials will not be picked up. Please remember, brush pick-up is provided as a free service to our residents who are cleaning up the yard around their house. It is not to remove bushes, stumps, trees, and other debris resulting from plant removal, lot clearing, pool installation, construction, additions, new decks, etc. Removal of debris resulting from these activities should be arranged by the homeowner or the contractor at their expense.

Please be considerate of our employees and do not place any poison ivy or oak vines or briars in the brush piles. Severe allergic reactions are possible.

The Town does not pick up grass clippings or yard waste such as pampas grass. These materials can not be put into a wood chipper and are not allowed in the landfills with household waste. If you must dispose of materials such as this, you may take them to the Henderson County Convenience Center. There is a charge for disposal of these materials.

If you have any questions about the services offered by Public Works, please call 654-9208 and leave a message along with your telephone number. Someone will return your call!

**NOVEMBER
FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS**



828-687-1218

120 Library Road

Fletcher, NC 28732

MON 10-7, TUES 10-5, WED 10-7, THURS 10-5, FRI 10-4, SAT 10-4

Sign up for weekly notices of a sampling of upcoming events at the Fletcher Library as well as all of the other libraries within the Henderson County Library system. Go to: <http://library.hendersoncountync.org/events.html>

Do you like to work puzzles? We now have a puzzle table for adults. Come help put together our latest puzzle. Got an extra puzzle that has all the pieces? We accept donated puzzles in good condition.

Forget your readers? We have a small selection of readers which you may use while visiting Fletcher Library. Got a pair you no longer need? We accept donated readers in good condition.

Wednesdays, 10:30-11am (November 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29) Family Story Time Join us for family storytime Wednesdays at the Fletcher Library. All ages are welcome to come enjoy stories, songs, and a craft.

Wednesdays, November 1, 15, 22, and 29 (4pm) Read to Diamond the Library Dog! Sign up at the circulation desk or call 828-687-1218.

Thursdays, 12:30-2:30pm (November 2, 9, 16, and 30) Mahjong Experienced players are welcome. Beginners may observe and will be coached if possible. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 or stop by to register.



First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (November 2) Lego Club All ages are welcome to come out to the Fletcher Library on the 1st Thursday of the month for Lego Club. We will provide Legos to use while you are here- please do not bring your own. We have Duplo blocks for younger children as well. We can't wait to see what you will create! Please be aware that all children under 9 **must** have an adult stay with them. Do you have Legos to spare? We accept donated Legos in all shapes and sizes in good condition.

Fridays, November 3 and 17 (10:30 am-12:30 pm) Chess Club For adults ages 18+. Please call to sign up. Registration is required as space is limited. Bring your own chess set if possible. Beginners are welcome.

First Mondays, 1-2pm (November 6) The Avid Reader Book Club: We will discuss *Forty Autumns* by Nina Willner. Please read the book and come prepared to discuss it. Note: This group meets the first *Monday* of the month most months.

(Most) Tuesdays, 10:30am-12pm Blue Ridge Literacy Council Office Hours

Come to the library to meet a representative from Blue Ridge Literacy Council, enroll as a student or tutor, or just learn about their program services. Call Fletcher Library at 828-687-1218 for more information.

Saturday, November 4 (1:30-3:30pm) Geocaching Film Festival Geocaching is a fun, family-friendly activity which promotes getting outdoors and spending time with family and friends. The film *Geocaching International Film Festival* will be shown. Open to all.

Monday, November 6 (2pm) Christmas Ornament Class for Adults This class will show you how to use pieces of fabric to make a decorative Christmas ornament. Free (all library programs are). For ages 18+. Registration is required. Call the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

Tuesdays, 3pm-4pm (November 7, 14, 21, and 28) *Conversational Spanish* This is an interest group held by the public: medium to advanced levels of Spanish are spoken. Come by and test out your Spanish comprehension. Please contact the Fletcher Branch Library for more information.

Second Thursdays (November 9) 10:30-11:30am, *Fletcher Book Club* Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. This group meets the *second Thursday* of each month.

Second Thursdays (November 9) 1:30-2:30pm, *Writers Guild* All writers are invited to join a lively discussion about the guild's current projects related to publishing and the marketing of your work. Learn tricks and techniques from published authors and aspiring writers and reveal your own convictions. This group meets the *second Thursday* of each month.

Saturday, November 11 (10:15am) *Highland Smocking Guild* The purpose of the Smocking Arts Guild of America is to preserve and foster the art of smocking and related needlework for future generations through education, service, communication and quality workmanship.

Saturday, November 11 (11am) *Fairy Tales with Local Storyteller, Mary Davis* Local storyteller Mary Davis will share fairy tales with folks of all ages. Free and open to the public.

Monday, November 13 (10:30am–12pm) *Creative Retirement: Your Next Life Chapter is Calling* Suzanne Shaffer will present an experiential workshop based on her book, *Conscious Creative Retirement: 8 essential keys to maximize your next life chapter*. Come meet local author Suzanne Shaffer, and stay for a fun and inspiring program about how to engage your creative juices to discover new possibilities and opportunities for fulfillment. You'll have a chance to experience the power of one of the many dynamic creative activities from the book, and apply the ideas right away. Registration required- contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

Mondays, November 13, 20, and 27 (4-5pm) *Read to Library Dog Virgil!* Call the library, stop by or check the online calendar for dates and times. Sign up for a 15-minute session. This program is for both children and adults. If a child is the reader, the parent or guardian must be present. Bring a book or two.

Thursday, November 16 (3:30 pm) *Turkey Talk* A park ranger from Chimney Rock State Park will read a fun story and teach kids all about the turkey- ID & adaptations of turkey, history of hunting, and population recover in NC. There will also be a craft!

Saturday, November 18 (10:15-12:45pm) *Apple Country Lacers* We make bobbin lace and foster interest in this traditional weaving art form. We provide instruction with occasional classes and guest teachers. *Meets monthly*.

Saturday, November 18 (10:30am-1:30pm) *Needle Felting* Come learn the art of needle felting and make a Christmas ornament. No prior experience necessary. For ages 18+. Registration required.

Wednesday, November 22 (1:30-3:30pm) *Goodwill Career Connections* Drop in and meet one-on-one with an advisor who can connect you to great opportunities for work, training and education.

CLOSINGS

Friday, November 10: All libraries within the Henderson County Public Library system will be closed in honor of Veteran's Day.

Wednesday, November 22: All libraries within the Henderson County Public Library system will close at 5pm due to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday.

Thursday, November 23 and Friday, November 24: All libraries within the Henderson County Public Library system will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.



PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT

687-0751



Saturday, December 9th

HWY 25, beginning at Old Airport Road

Roads close at 10 a.m.

Antique Cars begin at 10:15 a.m.,

Parade begins at 10:30 a.m.

Celebrate the Holidays with Town residents and local businesses at Fletcher's Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 9th!

The Parade includes musical groups, decorated floats, antique cars and the arrival of Santa!

This year's theme is **"Let it Snow!"**

For more information about participating in this event, please visit www.fletcherparks.org or contact Nicole Sweat at n.sweat@fletchernc.org.

Entry forms are also available at Town Hall. Deadline for entry forms is Monday, November 27th.

The Town of Fletcher will honor its Veterans on Saturday, November 11th at 8:30 a.m. with its Annual **Veterans' Day Salute and Breakfast**. This event will be held at Fletcher Town Hall, located at 300 Old Cane Creek Rd. This year's Salute will feature a flag retirement ceremony, a musical performance by students in the West Henderson High School Band, and keynote speaker Clarence Dotson, a World War II Veteran of the United States Army. Mr. Dotson, a Fairview NC native, was drafted into the United States Army in 1943 as an Army Mechanic. On March 23, 1944 Clarence was sent to Normandy at Utah Beach where he served with the 1st Army, 90th Division under General Omar Bradley. After completing his service, Mr. Dotson, returned home and married Frances Frady and had 2 daughters. The World War II Veteran retired from Deal Buick after 30 years of service as the Service Manager. Clarence Dotson currently serves with the Buncombe County Memorial Team and will be discussing "Experience of War" during his key note address.

This event is free and opened to the public. Attendees are invited for breakfast at the conclusion of the Annual Veterans' Day Program. For more information please visit www.FletcherParks.org or call 828-687-0751. Thank you United Federal Credit Union for sponsoring this event!



Save the Date

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| Saturday, Nov. 11 | Veterans' Day Breakfast | 8:30 a.m. |
| Thursday, Nov. 28 | Christmas Tree Lighting | 6 pm |
| Saturday, Dec. 9 | Fletcher Christmas Parade | 10:30 a.m. |

The Ladies restroom facilities at the Fletcher Community Park will be closed for renovations starting Monday, Oct. 30th.

We are planning to reopen the facilities Monday, November 6th!

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FLETCHER , NC 28732

November Holiday Schedule Changes



Town Hall will be closed Friday, November 10th for the Veteran's Day holiday.

Trash pickup and scheduled recycling for that day will take place on **Monday, November 13th.**

Town Hall will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23rd and 24th for the Thanksgiving holidays.

Thursday trash and recycling routes will take place on **Wednesday, November 22nd.**

Friday trash and recycling routes will take place on **Friday, November 24th.**

Please go to the Town website www.fletchernc.org for any changes to the pickup schedule.

