



Town of Fletcher

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July 2018

PRIDE IN OUR PAST—FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

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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 6 pm

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

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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 June Town Council meeting:

Following the continuation of the public hearing from May 14, the Town Council took no action to prohibit the short term rental of residential dwellings.

A public hearing was held to approve a Budget Ordinance for the Fiscal Year 2018-2019. Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, presented highlights of the budget. After discussion, the ordinance was approved.

Council members heard a report on damage to the stream bank at the park and Mark Cathey of McGill Associates presented options for repair. Council will discuss a preferred option for repair at the next meeting.

NCDOT is currently seeking public input regarding the upcoming prioritization of various road projects in the area. One of the projects under consideration is the modernization of Fanning Bridge Road, which would hopefully involve improvements to several dangerous curves, shoulder widening, and sidewalks.

Please visit the link below to provide your input.

When the site opens, a box will pop up asking you to select your County (Henderson). Then you will need to zoom in to the Fanning Bridge Road area, click on the road, and another box will pop up asking for your input. When you are done, you will have to go to the right side of the screen and select "finish", and another box will pop up where you will select "finish" again. You can also scroll around on the map and provide input on other projects, however, Fanning Bridge is the only one in Fletcher under consideration.

<https://ncdot-stip.metroquest.com/#/?p=web&u=ncdot-stip.metroquest.com&pm=dynamic&theme=v7>

NC DOT will be accepting input through July 9, 2018.



Fletcher Town Hall will be closed Wednesday, July 4th for the Independence Day holiday.

Wednesday trash pickup up and scheduled recycling pickup will be handled Thursday, July 5th.

All other trash and recycling schedules for that week will remain the same.

Town Hall will reopen on Thursday, July 5th at 8 a.m.

Have a safe and happy 4th!

Pepsi and Henderson County Parks & Recreation will present their annual fireworks show on July 4th at Dusk for the residents of Henderson County.

The "Big Red Balloon" will be launched the morning of the Fourth. Where ever this balloon is visible, you will be able to see the Fireworks Display at dark.

Universal Health Care of Fletcher Earns 2018 Bronze National Quality Award

Fletcher, North Carolina – Universal Health Care of Fletcher has been recognized as a 2018 recipient of the BRONZE – COMMITMENT TO QUALITY AWARD for its commitment to improve the lives of residents through the Quality Award Program, presented by the American Health Care Association and National Center for Assisted Living (AHCA/NCAL); the leading association for long term and post-acute care. The program honors association members across the country that has demonstrated their dedication to improving quality of care for seniors and persons with disabilities.

The National Quality Award Program, established in 1996 is based on the core values and criteria of the Baldrige Performance Excellence Program, which also serves as the foundation or the metric-based AHCA/NCAL Quality Initiative.

The awards will be presented during AHCA/NCAL's Annual Convention and Exposition in San Diego, California, October 7-10, 2018.

Universal Health Care of Fletcher is located at 86 Old Airport Road.



The Meals on Wheels program provides a hot meal every weekday for homebound older adults in Henderson County. Meals are delivered by volunteer drivers between 10:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. In addition to receiving a nutritious meal, Meals on Wheels clients receive important social interaction with caring volunteers. These visits, which also serve as a regular wellness checks, often turn into lasting friendships.

Drivers are always needed to deliver! Volunteer drivers can work just one day a week, if they'd like — or more, if they have time available. Meals are delivered five days a week, except major holidays or emergencies (including bad weather).

Drivers deliver a friendly smile along with a warm meal and chat with clients for several minutes.

To volunteer, contact Council on Aging at <http://coahc.org/volunteers/> or call (828) 692-4203.

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.



Mowing? The Town does not pick up grass clippings. We recommend that you use mulching blades and return the clippings to the yard or compost them. If you must dispose of the clippings, the Henderson County Transfer station located at 802 Stoney Mountain Road will accept these materials.

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.

The Town does not pick up brush from a commercial cut. If you hire someone to trim trees and limbs, removal is part of the service you are paying for when you hire them.

Brush does not include pampas grass or landscaping timbers. And please, when cleaning up your property, do not put poison oak or ivy vines or briars in brush pickup piles! The Public Works employees are handling every limb by hand. Be considerate of Public Works employees!



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

JULY FLETCHER LIBRARY EVENTS

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>

We could use several card tables in good condition. Call us at 828-687-1218 if you have one you would like to donate.

Have craft supplies that you don't need? We can use donated ribbon, lace, sequins, scrapbook paper, buttons, wrapping paper, glitter glue, stickers, and more.

Do you like to work puzzles? We now have a puzzle table for adults. Come help put together our latest puzzle.

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.

First Mondays, 10:30am-12pm, (July 2) *Mandala Coloring* Registration Required. For adults only. Call the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

First Monday, 1-2pm (July 2) *The Avid Reader Book Club*: We will discuss *The Sleepwalker* by Chris Bohjalian. Please read this book before the meeting. This group meets the first Monday of the month most months.

First Tuesday, 10:30am-12pm (July 3) *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 services. Call Fletcher Library at 828-687-1218 for more information.

Tuesdays, 3pm-4pm (July 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31) *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.

Thursdays, 12:30-2:30pm (July 5, 12, 19, and 26) *Mahjong* Join our mahjong group for an afternoon of fun with this exciting Chinese tile game. No experience needed. This group has a coach to teach new players. Must register as space is limited. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 or stop by to register.

First Thursdays, 3:30-4:30pm (July 5) *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 in the room. Do you have Legos to spare? We accept donated Legos in all shapes and sizes in good condition.

(Most) Saturdays, 1-3:30pm (July 7, 14, 21, and 28) *Chess Club* For adults 18+ Beginners are welcome. Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 or stop by to register.

Wednesdays, 10:30-11am (July 11, 18, and 25) *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.

Wednesday, July 11 (2-3pm) *Snakes Alive!* Learn about the lives, habits, and characteristics of snakes and other reptiles. Live animals will be present!

Second Thursdays (July 12) 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 (July 12) 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.

Tuesday, July 17 (11am-12pm) *Songs and Stories with Silver Trout Arts* Music, storytelling, and puppets!

Saturday, July 21 (10:30am-12:30pm) *Yarn Therapy* A gathering of people who knit, crochet, embroider, weave, spin, or do other creative things with yarn. Enjoy a relaxing morning working on your projects. Bring your own supplies. All skill levels welcome! Registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

Monday, July 23 (2-3pm) *Newly Grown Tales* Come help create some "Newly Grown Tales" in this interactive take on traditional folk tales. Presented by Attic Salt Theatre Company.

Wednesday, July 25 (1:30-3:30pm) *Goodwill Career Connections* Call Fletcher Library at 828-687-1218 and ask us about the workshop of the month.

Wednesday, July 25 (2-4pm) *Teen Robotics Workshop* Teens in rising grades 6-12 can learn the basics of robotics and coding with EV3 Mindstorm Robots in this hands on workshop presented by Zaniac Learning Center. Free and funded by the Friends of the Library, registration is required. Contact the Fletcher Library to sign up.

UPCOMING

Saturday, August 4 (10:30am-12:30pm) *Needle Felting Class* This class will be an introduction to Needle Felting and its history. We will start with some basic techniques and then create an apple-just in time for the Apple Festival! No experience necessary; all supplies will be provided. **Registration Required- Contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.**

Monday, August 20 (1-2:30pm) *Intro to Homebuying* Thinking about purchasing a home but don't know where to start? This introduction to first time home buying will provide the answers you've been looking for and resources to help! This free class for adults is funded by the Friends of the Library. Registration required- contact the Fletcher Library at 687-1218 for more information or to register.

Friday, August 23 (2-3pm) *Historic North Carolina Newspapers Demo*

Wednesday, September 12 (3:30-4:30pm) *What a Ranger Does* A North Carolina State Park Ranger has many responsibilities from law enforcement to education to high angle rescue and wears many hats. Come meet with a ranger to learn all aspects of their jobs and see all the equipment needed to provide visitors with a safe and fun visit to our state parks.

Monday, September 17 (10:30am-12pm) *Creative Retirement* Suzanne Shaffer will present an experiential workshop based on her book *Conscious Creative Retirement: 8 Essential Keys to Maximize Your Next Life Chapter*. Registration is required.

Monday, October 15 *Emotions and Spending* This class for adults explores the powerful role of emotion in our use of money and provides tools for understanding those connections and moving beyond their influential pull. This free class is funded by the Friends of the Fletcher Library. Registration is required.

Wednesday, November 7 (3:30-4:30pm) *Raccoons, Bandits of the Night* Ever heard a bump in the night, had someone turn your trash cans inside out, or found strange paw prints on the porch the next morning? Join a NC park ranger to figure out the most likely nighttime visitors. We will explore these interesting mammals, their nocturnal habits, and how well they have adapted to play in the moonlight.

CLOSINGS

Wednesday, July 4 The Henderson County Public Library will be closed for Independence Day.



Summer Concert Series: Whitewater Bluegrass Company

Saturday, July 14, 7:00 p.m.

Fletcher Parks and Recreation Department will host its July Summer Concert on Saturday, July 14th at Bill Moore Community Park (Formerly Fletcher Community Park). Whitewater Bluegrass Company will play at this free, family-friendly event. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy music in the park!

About Whitewater Bluegrass Company:

For over 35 years The Whitewater Bluegrass Co. has captivated audiences throughout the Southeast with their blend of Bluegrass music, country ballads, mountain swing and down-home humor. With Whitewater, mountain culture is a celebration of music, song and dance

Concessions:

The Fletcher Parks and Recreation Department concession stand will be open selling snacks, drinks, hot dogs, nachos and more! Babaal's Ice Cream truck will also be available for a sweet treat! Coolers are welcome at this event, but no alcohol is permitted on park property.

Parents—all children must wear helmets when riding their bikes or skateboards in the park!

The Town Ordinance states: § 92.01 HELMET REQUIREMENT. (A) *Regulations.* (1) Every person operating a bicycle, roller blades or skateboard on town property (including parks and greenways) shall wear a helmet of good fit, fastened securely.

Thank you to our sponsors who helped to make The Robert G. Parrish, Sr. Memorial Golf tournament a success!

- McGill & Associates
- Pepsi Cola
- Borg Warner
- Blue Ridge Orthodontics
- Chick Fil A
- Pathway Technologies
- Playground Packages.com

The winning teams were:

- Low Gross score- McGill & Associates (Ben & Mark Cathey, Scott Burwell and Kristy Capp
- Low Net score – Morris Broadband (Glenn Bonetti, Shane Capps, Jason Davis, Chris Mc Call)
- Longest Drive- Shane Capps, Morris Broad band
- Closest to the Pin- Mike Franklin, Town of Fletcher

Save the Date

Saturday, July 14	Whitewater Bluegrass	7:00 p.m.
Saturday, Aug 25	The Lion King Movie in the Park	Dusk



The Cane Creek Greenway at the Bill Moore Community Park (formerly Fletcher Park) sustained serious damage from flooding with the recent heavy rains.

The Greenway remains open, but please use extreme caution and avoid the area around the barriers in place.

We appreciate your patience as we work toward repairs.

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Planning Board/ZBA Vacancy

At-Large

The Fletcher Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment currently has an opening for a recently vacated “at-large” seat. Any Town resident interested in applying for this vacancy may download the application form at Fletchernc.org or obtain a form by contacting the Town of Fletcher at (828) 687-3985. The Planning Board/ZBA serves in dual functions. Planning Board duties include reviews of rezoning requests, special use permits and conditional district requests, as well as text amendments to the Fletcher Land Development Code. ZBA duties cover variance requests and appeals. The Board typically meets on the third Tuesday of the month at 6:00 PM. This is a volunteer position and is appointed by the Fletcher Town Council.

If you have general questions about serving on the Board, please feel free to contact Eric Rufa at (828) 687-3985. The deadline to submit an application will be Tuesday, July 31, 2018, by 5:00 PM.

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