



300 Old Cane Creek Road
Fletcher, NC 28732

Town of Fletcher

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January 2023

Town Council

Preston Blakely, Mayor
Phone.....(828)215-7706

Sheila Franklin, Council Member
District #1.....(828)684-5676

Keith Reed, Council Member
District #2.....(828)367-7130

Bob Davy, Mayor Pro-Tem
District #3.....(828)687-0313

Trevor Lance, Council Member
District #4.....(828)338-9338

Town Phone Numbers

Town Manager.....(828)687-3985

Town Fax.....(828)687-7133

Police/Fire Emergency.....911

Police Dispatch.....(828)697-4911

Police Non-emerg..(828)687-7922

Parks & Rec.....(828)687-0751

Public Works.....(828)654-9208

Town Meetings

Town Council Agenda Meeting

1st Monday of month at 6:00 pm

Town Council Regular Meeting

2nd Monday of month at 6:00 pm

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Tuesday of month at 6:00 pm

All meetings are held at the
Town Hall located at 300 Old
Cane Creek Road in Fletcher.

The Town of Fletcher Newsletter
is published for residents of the
Town and reports on issues and
events that affect our community.
Past issues of our newsletter can
be found on our website at
<https://www.fletchernc.org/about-us/newsletter/>.

You are encouraged to contact us
with your questions and/or com-
ments by emailing info@fletchernc.org. For additional
Town information, please visit
www.fletchernc.org or visit our
Facebook page found at
<https://www.facebook.com/FletcherNC.Gov/>.

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News from the December 12th Fletcher Town Council Meeting

- By Consent Agenda, Town Council:
 - Approved the usage policies for the American Rescue Plan/Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Fund as approved by the Town Council in November.
 - Approved Samantha Todd as the new ABC Board Chairman for a three-year term.
- Carol Avery, of Lowdermilk Church & Company, presented the annual year-end audit results for fiscal year 2021-2022. She reported an unqualified opinion and the audit went well with no findings.
- A representative from Polco, the company the Town selected to conduct a citizen survey of Fletcher residents, was present in the meeting via Zoom to discuss specific subjects related to the proposed survey. After much discussion, it was agreed that Mark Biberdorf, Town Manager, will revise certain customized survey questions.
- Mark Biberdorf provided an update on the Traffic Impact Analysis for the Fletcher Town Center project that was recently completed by the Mattern & Craig traffic engineering firm.
- Mark Biberdorf discussed a proposed budget schedule for fiscal year 2023 - 2024 beginning with brief departmental presentations in January, the Budget Workshop in March, the Budget Retreat in May, and a Public Hearing on the proposed budget in June.

Holiday Closings

Fletcher Town Hall will be closed Monday, January 2, 2023 in observance of New Year's Day. Town Hall will also be closed Monday, January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr Day.



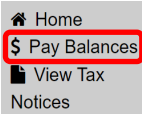
No trash or recycling schedules will be impacted by either of these holiday observances.



Important Property Tax Reminders

- 2022 property tax payments are due January 5, 2023. Payments received after that date will incur a 2% interest charge on January 6th. If you mail your payment, please ensure it is postmarked by the USPS on or before 1/5/23. Any payments received by mail after that date without a timely USPS postmark, will be considered late and assessed 2% interest.

- You may pay your tax bill by debit or credit card on our Town website at <https://www.fletchernc.org/departments/finance/property-taxes/>; pay by cash, check, or money order in Town Hall; place your payment in our south side parking lot drop box; or mail it to the Town Hall at 300 Old Cane Creek Road in Fletcher.



- When using our website for tax balances after January 5th, please utilize the online "Pay Balances" option to view the current tax amount due. Interest is added each month until the tax bill is paid in full and any additional interest or fees will not appear on the original tax notice. Therefore, utilize the "Pay Balances" option to determine the total amount due -- if you do not wish to pay at that moment, you can simply close the web page.

- Individual Personal Property and Business Personal Property Listing sheets are due to the Henderson County Assessors Office this month. If you filed an individual property listing form in 2022, you should receive a pre-populated listing form for 2023 by mail. Make any changes to your property listing and return it to the Henderson County Assessor by 1/31/23. If you did not file a personal property listing form last year and you acquired property that must be listed, you may download a listing form from the County Tax Department website at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax> or call 828-697-4870. Business personal property owners may file their property tax listing by mail or online at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax/page/business-personal-property>. Failure to list your personal property or changes to your real property greater than \$100 may result in back taxes and/or late listing penalties.

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Individual Personal Property Listing
TO AVOID PENALTY, RETURN SIGNED COMPLETED LISTING
FORM BY JANUARY 31st
TAX YEAR: 2023

Tax Jurisdiction	
ATTENTION MANUFACTURED HOME OWNERS: If you sold a manufactured home during the previous calendar year, please indicate the new owner, sale date and sale price below.	
Name _____	Phone _____
Address _____	
City, St, Zip _____	
Date Sold _____	Sale Price _____

- If you were unable to attend the November informational meeting with the Henderson County Tax Administrator about the upcoming 2023 county wide property value reappraisal, we have some Reappraisal Guides that were distributed at the meeting. You may pick one up at Fletcher Town Hall or view it on their website at <https://www.hendersoncountync.gov/tax/page/reappraisal-guide>.

PUBLIC WORKS (828) 654-9208

Last Call: Christmas Tree Pickup

The Town continues to pick up and dispose of your live undecorated Christmas trees (no artificial trees) through the month of January. Make your tree pickup request at <https://www.fletchernc.org/leafbrush-pickup/>, leave a voice message 24 hours/day at 828-654-9208 with your name and address, or call 828-687-3985 to speak with someone at Town Hall.

2023 Fletcher Recycling Calendars Are Available

You can pick up a calendar at Fletcher Town Hall or request one via email by sending an email request to info@fletchernc.org with your home address, so we can email you the correct schedule.



FABA invites you to network and learn with community business leaders...

Coffee Club

January 3rd from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

January 17th from 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.

at Lutheridge Conference Center

For more information and to get connected visit us online at <https://fletcherbusiness.com/>

From the Office of the Chief:



The Police department recently investigated a carjacking at a local store. After being kicked out of the store, the suspect took control of an occupied vehicle, driving away as occupants are pulled from the vehicle by family members. The suspect initially entered the store acting suspiciously to include, locking the front doors, and entering the woman's restroom. Upon exiting the store, the suspect took control of a vehicle in the lot before speeding off. The suspect was later identified and warrants taken against him for several offenses.

This incident had the potential to be much worse if not for a couple astute customers, members of our community, who intervened and confronted the suspect. Fletcher, is a wonderful and safe community with wonderful people. Though typically safe, we can never think, "It will never happen here", because things do happen. Instead, we must, like the astute customers who intervened in the recent incident, be prepared. I am not encouraging anyone to put themselves in harm's way or take unnecessary risks. What I do encourage, is you first, always be aware of your surroundings. Keep your head up and know what is happening around you. Don't create an opportunity for a would be criminal.

Secondly, look out for your neighbors. You can be that extra set of eyes and ears that can protect others from being victimized.

Finally, if you see something, say something. The police department is here to serve you. Don't talk yourself out of calling 911 if something doesn't seem right. The best chance of keeping Fletcher a wonderful and safe community, is by sharing the responsibility and working together. We wish everyone a happy and safe 2023.

PLEASE WELCOME THESE BUSINESSES TO FLETCHER!



Golden Goose
CHILDREN'S CONSIGNMENT

4110 HENDERSONVILLE ROAD, SUITE 10
FLETCHER, NC 28732

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY 10AM - 4PM
THURSDAY & FRIDAY 10AM - 6PM
SATURDAY 10AM - 4PM

HELLO! MY NAME IS SKYLER, MY HUSBAND, JON, AND I RECENTLY BECAME THE NEW OWNERS OF GOLDEN GOOSE! WE ARE SO HAPPY TO BE A PART OF THIS COMMUNITY. WE ENJOY KEEPING THIS SMALL BUSINESS GOING WHEN WE AREN'T RUNNING AFTER OUR THREE CHILDREN! YOU CAN COME IN AND FIND CLOTHING, BABY EQUIPMENT, TOYS AND MUCH MORE - ALSO WE ARE CURRENTLY ACCEPTING WINTER CLOTHING ALONG WITH EVERY DAY ITEMS FOR CHILDREN!

STOP BY OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
GROWWITHGG.COM
828-290-9553

ATTENTION FLETCHER BUSINESSES ...

Henderson County Tourism Grant Program Now Open


Applications for the Henderson County Tourism Development Authority (HCTDA) grant program are being accepted now through January 22, 2023.

The three types of available grants are: Destination Marketing Grants, Destination Event Grants, and Destination Enhancement Grants.


Henderson County businesses and organizations are invited to apply for the \$500,000 grant funding for tourism-related events and projects. Grant requirements can be found at <https://visithendersonvillenc.org/grants> and any questions regarding the application process can be emailed to Amy Boswell at events@visithendersonvillenc.org.

Grant award decisions will be made in Spring 2023 by the HCTDA Board.

The HCTDA's organizational goal is to use revenue generated through tourism to market Hendersonville and Henderson County as a destination, growing the economy, jobs and tax revenue, to benefit those who live and visit the area. For more info, visit www.VisitHendersonvilleNC.org.





Black Bear Coffee Co.



Black Bear Coffee Co. is excited to announce our newest shop in Fletcher! Located in the historic Hoopers Creek Grocery at 144 Hoopers Creek Road. Primarily a baking facility, we offer a full range of your favorite coffee and espresso drinks and have outdoor seating. Our hours are Monday - Friday 7am - 1pm with plans to extend into the late day this summer, serving beer and wine.

Find us online at:

 [blackbearcoffeeco](https://www.facebook.com/blackbearcoffeeco)
 [theblackbearcoffeeco](https://www.instagram.com/theblackbearcoffeeco)
<https://www.blackbear.coffee>



Fletcher Family Haircare

4110 Hendersonville Road, Suite 70
Fletcher, NC 28732
828-684-7589

Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Saturday 8:30 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.
Evenings by appointment



Hair cuts and styles for
the entire family

Operating under new ownership

January Fletcher Library Opportunities

20 Library Road, Fletcher NC 28732 828-687-1218

HOURS: Monday 9am - 6pm; Tuesday - Thursday 9am - 5pm; Friday & Saturday 9am - 3pm

CLOSINGS: We will be closed January 2nd for the New Year holiday.

We will also be closed on January 16th in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr.'s birthday.

Tech Time Appointments: Want to learn how to download an e-book or digital audiobook? Watch a movie for free using Hoopla or from NC Digital Library? Learn a new language using Transparent Language? Baffled by your new tablet or smartphone? One-on-one tech time, by appointment, is offered for free at Fletcher Library. Call the library or stop by to schedule an appointment.

Knitting for a Cause Donations: If you have donations of yarn, knitting needles, or knitted or crocheted items, please call the library at 828-687-1218, we are always looking for donations. Our group makes hats, scarves, gloves/mittens, and blankets for the Interfaith Assistance Ministry in Hendersonville to give to children and adults. Thank you to all those that have donated.

Check 'Em Out Book Club: Call the branch to sign up for next month's selection.

Family Story Time: Every Wednesday at 10:30 am.



Lego Club Thursday, January 5th (3:30pm-4:30pm)

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 11 must have an adult stay with them.

Check 'Em Out Book Club (Adults) Monday, January 9th (11:00am-12:00pm)

Come and discuss our January selection, *The Other Black Girl* by Zakiya Dalila Harris. Registration Required - Call the Fletcher Library at 828-687-1218. Spaces are limited.

Craft Day (All ages) Tuesday, January 10th (10:00am-4:00pm) Come and do a fun craft with us!

Book Review Book Club (Adults) Thursday, January 12th (10:30am-11:30am)

Read what you want and bring it to the table for discussion. This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Writers Guild (Adults) Thursday, January 12th (1:30pm-3:30pm)

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 on the 2nd Thursday of each month.

Knitting for a Cause Group (All Ages) Saturday, January 14th (10am-12pm)

Yarn and patterns are provided. Please bring your size 4, 5, 6, 7, and/or 8 circular or straight knitting needles if you have them OR your crochet hook! Have fun knitting or crocheting to help others!

Pleating Perfection (Adults) Saturday, January 21st (9:00am-2:30pm)

Pleating Perfection is a program open to any interested resident in WNC. Our programs are aimed to preserve and pass along sustainable sewing skills. Highland Smockers of WNC provides an educational program to teach these skills through hand sewing and using a sewing machine with related equipment and notions. Pleating fabric is the basic skill needed for smocking where hand embroidery is done on top of the pleats to gather the fabric and make it decorative. Our group prepares garments for Pardee Hospital. Our teachers for this program are Betsy Sherman and Linda Lippitt who will show how to start the fabric into the pleating machine correctly and keep it straight as we pleat a large section. Each participant will have a pleating machine to use, and smocking stitches will be demonstrated. *Presented by the Highland Smockers of WNC*

Paws for Reading (Children) Saturday, January 21st (10:00am-11:30am)

Children can sign up to read to a certified therapy dog! Registration Required: Call 828-687-1218 or come by the Fletcher Library to sign up for a 10-minute reading session.

Model Railroading Presentation (Adults) Saturday, January 21st (12:00pm-2:30pm)

Information will be provided on the hobby of model railroading. There will also be a presentation/clinic on some aspect of the hobby or prototype railroads. *Presented by the Carolina Mountain Division of the Southeastern Region of the National Model Railroading Association.*



JANUARY 28TH

POLAR BEAR 5K

Participants will receive a runner's beanie and giveaways.

Start Time
January 28th - 10am

Location
Bill Moore Community Park

Sign up today!

12/12-1/2 - \$25
1/3-1/13 - \$30
1/14-1/24 - \$35



Scan this code to register








Upcoming Events

Our 6-week **Winter Yoga** class runs from January 12th through February 16th at 6:15 p.m. at Fletcher Town Hall in the 3rd floor Multipurpose Room with Yoga instructor Lindsay Fox. The cost is \$50 for residents and \$60 for non-residents. Register online at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>.

Our **2023 Hunter Subaru Polar Bear 5k Run** will be held January 28th at 10:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$30 and late registration is \$35 beginning 1/14/23. The first 100 registrants will receive a winter running cap. Register online at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home> or by clicking on the QR code (shown at the left in the flyer). All event proceeds support the Park Development Fund.

Father-Daughter Dance

Our annual **Father Daughter Dance** will be held February 11th from 3:00pm - 5:00pm at Prescott Auto Reserve Event Center located at 37 Maxwell Drive in Hendersonville. This is a special opportunity for dads to spend time with their daughters enjoying music, dancing, and refreshments. Each daughter will receive a flower, a photo by a professional photographer, and the opportunity to make a valentine's craft.



Tickets are \$10 for daughters and \$15 for Town of Fletcher resident dads and \$20 for non-resident dads. Tickets may be purchased at <https://fletcherparks.recdesk.com/Community/Home>. Town residents may purchase tickets starting January 16th and non-Fletcher residents starting January 17th.

Save the Date

Thursday, January 12th	Winter Yoga begins at Fletcher Town Hall	6:15 pm
Saturday, January 28th	Hunter Subaru Polar Bear 5k Run at Bill Moore Community Park	10:00 am
Saturday, February 11th	Father-Daughter Dance at Prescott Auto Reserve Event Center	3:00 pm

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Henderson County Aging Coalition wants your opinion...



The newly formed Henderson County Aging Coalition (HCAC), in partnership with AARP, would like your input via a survey. They desire to know: "What residents think about where they live, how they live, and how they want to live?"

AARP Research and AARP Livable Communities has developed a questionnaire to capture information about our community and help the HCAC prioritize action steps for a Master Aging Plan. The survey questions focus on the following topics:



Housing / Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
Health and Wellness / Social Participation
Inclusion and Education Opportunities
Volunteering and Civic Engagement
Transportation and Streets



Please complete this survey by January 15, 2023 by visiting their website at <https://www.bit.ly/AgeFriendlyHendersonCounty> or by accessing the survey via this QR code:



Thank you for participating in this survey.