

CITIZENS NEWSLETTER

October – December 2019

**MAYOR
CHUCK ALLEN**



The Goldsboro Christmas Parade, hosted by the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, will be Dec. 7.

I hope this fall newsletter covering October through December finds all our citizens doing well. I can tell that fall is coming — the days are getting shorter, it is getting to be a little cooler, also I am starting to see advertising for the Wayne County Fair, one of my favorite events this time of year.

As always, there is lots going on in the city. If you have been downtown lately, you've noticed that Phase 1 of our Fire/Police Complex expansion is very close to completion, and our Streetscape and the HUB Projects are well underway. The completion of these two projects in about a year will be another great piece of our downtown transformation for all our citizens to enjoy.

As everyone knows, schools are back in session and kids are everywhere, so I ask all our citizens to drive with caution around our school zones. Speaking of schools, please don't forget that all our schools can use mentors. Your involvement and encouragement could be the one difference in a kid's life that helps them make the right choices and be successful in life, so please volunteer when you can.

In the upcoming months, we have several events occurring. One event of significant importance to all our citizens is the municipal election coming up Nov. 5. Early voting began Sept. 18 and the primary is Oct. 8. The mayor's and each of the six council seats will be on the ballot. I encourage each citizen to become involved and get educated on the candidate you believe will work and make decisions that continue to move Goldsboro forward for all our citizens in the years to come. Please vote, it's your duty.

On Dec. 4, in partnership with the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, our State of the Community will be held at the Goldsboro Event Center at 4 p.m. Also our great Christmas Parade will be Saturday, Dec. 7. Please know that due to construction, there will be a route change this year, so please check that before you go.

In closing, I want to thank everyone who is working to make our city cleaner, safer, and just better in general. We have a lot of folks doing really good work, but as we all know, there is still lots to improve on. Lastly, I would like to encourage everyone to come visit our downtown. Check in with our Arts Council at the corner of John and Walnut streets. They are doing some great work and having some amazing events, so please check them out. Also, there are several new shops and restaurants downtown for you to visit. As an elected official, it really does my heart good to see the resurgence of our downtown, and I want to be sure all our citizens are enjoying it.

I hope each of you has a great fall and a wonderful and safe holiday season. As always, if we can help at City Hall feel free to call us at 919-580-4330.

UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS*

Oct. 7 | Oct. 21 | Nov. 4 |

Nov. 18 | Dec. 2 | Dec. 16

Council meets at 5 p.m. and 7 p.m.

*Subject to change with public notice.

Downtown Development, community partners launching entrepreneurship program

Downtown Goldsboro

Launch is designed to equip local entrepreneurs with knowledge and greater access to capital.

The City of Goldsboro's Downtown Development Department is one of several community partners working together to introduce an entrepreneurship development program called Launch, designed to accelerate business start-ups and business growth. The program will kickoff in January 2020.

"The aim of Launch is to grow the capacity of entrepreneurs through education, support and capital," said Scott Satterfield, Downtown Development business & property development specialist. "A large group of community partners have reached an agreement to work together to support this initiative that we feel will be a real growth for the city and the county. Not only will Launch help entrepreneurs by equipping them with knowledge, but also working to carve out greater access to capital. We are confident this program is one small way to begin to position our community to thrive in a very competitive market for jobs and resources in the months and years ahead."

Launch program participants will attend an eight-week program that will include a series of 10 Small Business Center seminars at Wayne Community College and five group mentoring sessions. At the end of the program, participants will have an opportunity to pitch their business to a panel. The entrepreneur with the winning pitch will receive a financial award for their business.

The partners working to make Launch happen are: Downtown Goldsboro Development Corporation; City of



Goldsboro Downtown Development Department; East Carolina University Miller School of Entrepreneurship; Small Business Center (Wayne Business and Industry Center at Wayne Community College); University of Mount Olive Tillman School of Business; Wayne Community College; Wayne County Chamber of Commerce; Wayne County Library Entrepreneur Learning Center; and the Wayne County Development Alliance.

For more information, contact Scott Satterfield at ssatterfield@goldsboronc.gov or Craig Foucht at cfoucht@waynecc.edu.

DOWNTOWN GOLDSBORO

Events

Thriller Night | Oct. 25, 5–8 p.m.; N. Center Street

Hosted by the Downtown Goldsboro Merchants Association. Fifth annual FREE event, featuring trunk-or-treating throughout downtown, free face painting, vendors and food trucks (for purchase), costume contests and one block of trunk-or-treating. Event ends with special live Thriller performance at 7 p.m. by Legacy Dance Project.

Creepy Crawl | Oct. 25, 8 p.m. to midnight

Festive downtown bar crawl including five bars in four hours! Costume contest, drink specials, live music and spooky swag for the first 75 crawlers.

Blithe Spirit | Oct. 26–27

Intensely funny and fitting for the fall season, Blithe Spirit combines farce, emotion and wit to great effect. Come see this group of talented locals perform a classic production at the Paramount Theatre. Proceeds benefit the arts in downtown Goldsboro.

Downtown Lights Up | Nov. 26, 5–8 p.m.

Kick-off the holiday season with downtown Goldsboro's family tradition – Downtown Lights Up! Count down with thousands of your closest friends to light up the streets of downtown, followed by visits from Santa, sledding, ice skating, hot cocoa, a festive movie, trolley rides and more.

Visit www.dgdc.org for more information.

Volunteers needed for Special Olympics

The 2019-2020 Wayne County Special Olympics begins competition in November and continues through March. Athletes will compete in bowling, basketball, aquatics, and track and field. Volunteers are needed to support these events. For more information, contact Nicky Jarman, volunteer coordinator, at 919-739-7451 or ljjarman@goldsboronc.gov.



WAYNE COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS | 2019-2020 LOCAL GAMES SCHEDULE

Bowling: Nov. 12-14 | **Basketball:** Jan. 28-30 | **Aquatics:** Feb. 27 | **Track and Field:** March 25-26



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GFD Annual T-shirt Fundraiser Underway: The Goldsboro Fire Department T-shirt fundraiser will begin Tuesday, Oct. 1 and go until Thursday, Oct. 31. All proceeds will be donated to Southeastern Medical Oncology Center's "Cures for the Colors." Last year, GFD donated \$3,481. The Fire Department would like to raise over \$4,000 this year. T-shirts are available in Youth Small to Adult 4XL. The pickup location will be at Station 1, 204 S. Center St.

GOLDSBORO FIRE DEPARTMENT

All Proceeds Go To:



2019 T-SHIRT FUNDRAISER

Pick Up: Goldsboro Fire Dept.
204 S Center St
Goldsboro, NC 27530
919-580-4265

\$20.00 each
Sizes: Youth Sm-
Adult 4XL

front



back



UPCOMING SANITATION CHANGES

Veterans Day | Nov. 11

Monday routes will be serviced Wednesday, Nov. 13.

Thanksgiving | Nov. 28-29

Thursday and Friday routes will be serviced
Wednesday, Nov. 27.

Christmas | Dec. 24-26

Tuesday routes will be serviced Saturday, Dec. 28.
(12/26 – Regular schedule)

GOLDSBORO COMPOST

The City of Goldsboro sells compost and mulch to ALL customers, both wholesale and retail. Goldsboro Compost is produced from municipal biosolids and yard trimmings. This compost is great for amending depleted soils, enriching planting mixes, and enhancing the growth of turf and ornamental plants, as well as food crops.

You can purchase mulch and compost from our Compost Facility at 200 Westbrook Road, Goldsboro. Call 919-735-0110 for current pricing.

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Angelina Ballerina™ The Musical



book & lyrics
SUSAN
DILALLO

music by
BEN
MORSS

directed & choreographed by
SAM VIVERITO



Thursday, October 3 | 6:00 p.m.



Friday, November 1 | 7:30 p.m.

PARAMOUNTtheatre
Performing Arts Series

VIOLET BELL

Friday, February 21 | 7:30 p.m.



NORTH CAROLINA SYMPHONY Holiday Pops Concert



Tuesday, November 26 | 8:00 p.m.



Sunday, January 12 | 3:00 p.m.



Friday, January 25
7:30 p.m.

Sons of Mystro



Friday, March 21 | 7:30 p.m.

Get tickets now. | GoldsboroParamount.com | 919-583-8432