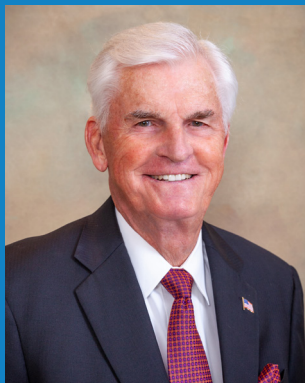


# CITIZENS NEWSLETTER

April – June 2023

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## Goldsboro City Council

Greetings fellow Goldsboro residents,

It's an exciting time in the City of Goldsboro as we look forward to many great events scheduled during the spring and summer. The Wings Over Wayne Air Show is back May 20-21 at Seymour Johnson Air Force Base after the pandemic forced the event to be delayed. I look forward to watching the thrilling displays of skill and power from the Navy Blue Angels and other performers.

Thousands of Dillard and Goldsboro High School alumni will come back home to Goldsboro during Memorial Day weekend for their annual homecoming events, which include a parade and a community picnic.

On June 17, downtown Goldsboro will once again be the site for Curtis Media's Jamz Out Juneteenth celebration. Performers will take the stage at The HUB, and vendors will line Center Street.

The Center Street Jam concert series is back through August. Come out to The HUB from 6-9 p.m. every other Thursday for music, dancing, food and fun.

It is great to see so many things happening throughout the city. Just two years ago, coming out of the pandemic, these types of events were canceled, postponed, or held virtually. I encourage all of you to get out and enjoy all the city has to offer.

On a somber note, as you all know, a recent shooting on Leslie Street left one 15-year-old dead, and five other young people injured. In a statement I released just after the incident, I said, "So many dedicated community

leaders are discussing solutions, but it will take our entire community to address this issue. We need parents, nonprofits, churches, school leaders, community leaders, etc. working with us to develop creative solutions to inspire positive change in our neighborhoods." In the weeks after this tragedy, I have seen people throughout our community coming together to discuss solutions. This is what we need, and I hope to see these efforts and this momentum continue.

## UPCOMING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS\*

May 15 | June 5 | June 20

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

\*Subject to change with public notice.

## UPCOMING SANITATION CHANGES

### Memorial Day | Monday, May 29

Monday routes will be serviced Wednesday, May 31.

### Juneteenth | Monday, June 19

Monday routes will be serviced Wednesday, June 21.

### Independence Day | Tuesday, July 4

Tuesday routes will be serviced Wednesday, July 5.

# Annual Water Line Flushing Program Underway

The City of Goldsboro Water Plant will temporarily stop adding ammonia to its water treatment disinfecting process on Wednesday, May 3, at 7 a.m. They will resume adding ammonia to the water treatment process on Tuesday, June 14.

To promote optimal disinfection throughout the water distribution system, the North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality recommends public water systems using chloramine disinfection switch to chlorine-only disinfection for a minimum of three consecutive weeks every year. This switch to chlorine-only disinfection can produce a temporary chlorine taste and odor in some cases.

The City of Goldsboro also conducts flushing of the water distribution system during this period as part of an annual unidirectional flushing program. This flushing may cause some temporary discoloration in the water. The water is absolutely safe. Short periods of flushing may be necessary to clear up any discoloration in the home. However, as a precaution, customers may want to check to see if their water is discolored before laundering white clothes.

If you have any further questions, please call 919-735-3329.

## WE'RE HIRING!



Visit [www.goldsboronc.gov](http://www.goldsboronc.gov) to view openings.


DOWNTOWN GOLDSBORO | THE HUB | 6-9PM

## CENTER STREET JAM

04 MAY	CAT 5	29 JUNE	BLACK WATER
18 MAY	SOUL PSYCHEDELIQUE	13 JULY	TRIAL BY FIRE
01 JUNE	COASTLINE	27 JULY	NIGHT YEARS
15 JUNE	EMBERS	10 AUG	SPARE CHANGE

## NEED TO REPORT A STREETLIGHT OUTAGE?

If you notice a streetlight that is not working, you can contact Duke Energy Progress to report the outage.

 800-452-2777

 [www.duke-energy.com](http://www.duke-energy.com)

- Select Outages > Request a light repair
- Select your location > Carolinas > Duke Energy Progress
- Type the location of the streetlight needing repair in the search bar.



## WINGS OVER WAYNE 2023 AIR SHOW

**MAY 20 - 21**

**Gates: 8am - 5pm**

**Show: 10am - 2:30pm**

**FREE ADMISSION & PARKING**

[www.wingsoverwayne.com](http://www.wingsoverwayne.com)



*Blue Angels  
Rob Holland / MXS-RH  
Tora, Tora, Tora  
Jelly Belly  
Ace Maker  
Wing Walkers  
Swamp Fox  
and many more!*

Enjoy interactive static displays and a  
40,000 sq. ft. STEM Hangar  
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# May is National Mobility Awareness Month

Mayor's Committee for Persons with Disabilities



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National Mobility Awareness Month (NMAM) is set to educate and engage people with disabilities, caregivers, healthcare professionals, and the public to help drive change. According to the CDC, 1 in 4 adult Americans live with a disability, and of those disabilities; mobility disabilities are the most common, affecting 1 in 7 adults. Several pieces of legislation have been passed in the aid of mobility challenged Persons including Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act (1973), and The Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). By raising awareness of mobility issues, developing inclusive solutions, and the encouragement of accessible activities; we all can make our community mobility inclusive.

Resources to learn more about mobility awareness:

- [www.NationalMobilityAwarenessMonth.com](http://www.NationalMobilityAwarenessMonth.com)
- <https://nmeda.org/mobility-awareness-month/>
- <https://nmeda.org/nmam/>
- <https://www.publicschoolreview.com/blog/beneficial-services-for-physically-disabled-students-in-schools>

Connect with us on

**nextdoor**

<http://bit.ly/goldsboronextdoor>



## "The Neither One of Us Concert: Yolanda Sings Gladys"

**June 15, 7:30 p.m.**

Neither one of Us: Yolanda Sings Gladys is a fun, nostalgic evening of soul music recorded by the Empress of Soul, Gladys Knight and delivered by the talented National Recording and Chart-Topping artist, Yolanda Rabun and her astounding band.

## "The Shine from Dead Man's Bottom"

**June 23-24, 7 p.m.**

Will there be a wedding at the Thigpen cabin? Or a funeral? Or will the family get swept up in a resumption of the Thigpen-Ratliff feud? Whatever happens on Dead Man's Bottom, it is sure to be memorable! So come and see this never performed play!



**REMINDER**  
It's  
Grass Season

## REMINDER TO ALL CITIZENS

Cut your yard regularly

Friendly reminder to all citizens, renters, property owners and businesses within Goldsboro city limits:

The City Code of Ordinances requires grass to **not exceed a height of 10 inches** and also requires properties to be maintained in a neat and orderly manner.

As we enter the spring and summer months, please help the City of Goldsboro Code Enforcement Team by keeping your property cut and clean.



See City Code of Ordinances 96.03 Public Nuisance  
Call 919-580-4333 for any Code-related questions

**GOLDSBORO**  
BE MORE. DO MORE. SEYMOUR  
North Carolina

# 2023 NC Freedom Fest Will Include Student Art Show and Competition

NC Freedom Fest is back in downtown Goldsboro on Sept. 9, 2023. This annual celebration of our military service people and first responders will be an exciting way for our community to recognize those who have committed their lives to providing for our safety and freedom.

This year introduces a county-wide call for student artwork to represent the ways we can pay tribute to the people who work to ensure our daily protection. The winners of this contest will be awarded a \$50 gift certificate for art supplies, and their art teachers will receive \$100 toward art supplies for their classroom.

Art submissions should incorporate one of these themes: one community, tribute to military and first responders.

Any Wayne County student in Kindergarten through 12th grade may enter the art contest. All artwork will be organized by grade categories: K-5, 6-8, and 9-12. The submission details will be distributed to the art teachers or relevant points of contact in Wayne County public schools, private schools, charter schools, and listed home schools. All initial submissions will be received and handled by the art teacher or point of contact in each institution. One piece per grade category will be selected by the art teacher or point of contact from each learning facility and submitted directly to Wayne County Public Schools Central Services at 2001 Royall Ave., Goldsboro, NC, 27534, care of Christy White. The deadline to submit is May 31.

A preliminary judging process on June 1 will determine seven pieces from each grade category to be displayed in the three Wayne County Library branches throughout the summer of 2023. Notification of acceptance will be given through the contact information provided by the artist and teacher. Unselected pieces will be returned to the art teacher or associated point of contact. The 21 finalist pieces will be featured in the 2023 NC Freedom Fest magazine and will be on display at the NC Freedom Fest event on Sept. 9 in downtown Goldsboro. Judging on the day of the event will determine one prize winner from each grade category to be announced during a formal ceremony. All artwork may then be retrieved by the artist or teacher.

## Submission Guidelines

- Theme interpretation may be decided by the art teacher or individual artist.
- Artwork must be 2-dimensional on a flat surface and



framed or mounted to a sturdy material. Unusually heavy or fragile work is discouraged. Any medium within this criteria will be considered.

- No piece should exceed 24 inches (including frame) in any direction.
  - Each piece of artwork should be accompanied by an identification label that includes: artist, teacher, school, grade, artwork title, medium and surface material, and submission date.
  - Teachers should deliver the artwork to Wayne County Public Schools Central Services, 2001 Royall Ave, Goldsboro, NC 27534, care of Christy White by May 31.
- Questions may be directed to Christy White, WCPS Central Services at: [christinewhite@wcps.org](mailto:christinewhite@wcps.org) or to Lewis Braswell, Arts Council of Wayne County at: [lewis@artsinwayne.org](mailto:lewis@artsinwayne.org).

