Town Calendar

November 22 | 8:15 AM
Senior Fitness Class

November 25-26
Town offices closed in observance of Thanksgiving

November 26 | 6:00 PM
Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

November 29 | 8:15 AM
Senior Fitness Class

December 2 | 8:30 AM
Tourism Development Authority Meeting

December 3 | 6:00 PM
Family Art Night

December 4 | 10AM-4PM
Christmas on the Square

December 6 | 8:15 AM
Senior Fitness Class

A Time of Thanksgiving

A message from the Town Manager

During this time of year, we tend to reflect on the things we are most grateful for and I would say primarily among these is our talented group of employees. I would like to personally thank each of them for their dedication and hard work in order to make Burgaw a great town. Without their commitment, creativity, and high standards, we would not be the thriving community we are. I sincerely wish each employee and resident the happiest and very best Thanksgiving.

Town administrative offices will be closed Thursday, November 25th & Friday, November 26th in observance of Thanksgiving. Note: Due to the holiday, there will not be a newsletter published for the week of November 22-26.

Join us for our 15th Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Come kick off the Christmas season with our 13th Annual Burgaw Christmas Tree Lighting. The event is from 6:00 PM-8:00 PM at the Pender County Courthouse Square. Stop in for lots of fun including food trucks, visits with Santa, and much more. For more information contact the Parks, Recreation & Tourism office at (910) 300-6401.

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910-259-2151
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Now accepting applications to fill vacancies on citizen advisory committees

The Town of Burgaw is currently accepting applications to fill vacant seats on the following advisory committees: Planning & Zoning Board (2 regular seats, 1 ETJ seat), Police Advisory Board (1 seat), and the Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee (1 seat). Applicants for the regular seats on the Planning & Zoning Board, as well as the seats on the Police Advisory Board and Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee must be residents of the corporate limits of Burgaw. Applicants for the ETJ seat on the Planning & Zoning Board must reside within the town’s ETJ (Contact the Planning Director at 663-3451 for more information). More information and applications can be found on the town’s website at burgawnc.gov or picked up at Town Hall. Completed applications must be submitted by December 3, 2021 at 5 PM to the Town Clerk at 109 N Walker Street, Burgaw, NC 28425.
Keeping our pedestrians safe

The Town of Burgaw has plenty of walking trails and sidewalks for our citizens to utilize every day. It is important to keep our pedestrians safe by knowing and following the laws of pedestrians’ right-of-way at crosswalks. General Statute § 20-173, Pedestrians’ right-of-way at crosswalks, advises where traffic-control signals are not in place or in operation, the driver of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way, slowing down or stopping if need be to so yield, to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within any marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at or near an intersection. Whenever any vehicle is stopped at a marked crosswalk or at any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection to permit a pedestrian to cross the roadway, the driver of any other vehicle approaching from the rear shall not overtake and pass such stopped vehicle. Also, the driver of a vehicle emerging from or entering an alley, building entrance, private road, or driveway shall yield the right-of-way to any pedestrian, or person riding a bicycle, approaching on any sidewalk or walkway extending across such alley, building entrance, road, or driveway.

Join us for some Christmas family fun

Join the Town of Burgaw and Pender County Arts Council for a Christmas-themed Family Art Night on Friday, December 3rd. The event will begin at 6 PM and will be held at the Historic Burgaw Train Depot. Cost is $15 per person. Register at burgawnc.gov/art.

Also, be sure to make plans to attend our biggest shopping event of the year at our Christmas on the Square holiday market on Saturday, December 4th from 10 AM to 4 PM. This event is hosted by Town of Burgaw, Pender County and the Pender Post & Voice and will feature homemade arts and craft vendors, as well as food trucks.

For more information on these events, please contact the Burgaw Parks, Recreation & Tourism office at 910-661-3100 or email recreation@burgawnc.gov.

Our Town WEEKLY PHOTO

Beautiful sunrise in Downtown Burgaw.
Photo credit: Jennifer Hansen
New Year’s Eve Blueberry Drop planned for Burgaw

BURGAW – The Town of Burgaw, Pender County Tourism, Pender County Parks and Recreation, and the North Carolina Blueberry Festival welcome the return of the annual New Year’s Eve Blueberry Drop powered by W. O. Grubb Crane Rental.

“The annual Blueberry Drop has enjoyed tremendous success in the last three years,” said Cody Suggs, Burgaw Parks, and Recreation director. “Last year, due to COVID, we celebrated virtually with viewers across the region as well as Europe!”

This year the New Year’s Eve Blueberry Drop will be live and in-person in Historic Downtown Burgaw. The celebration begins at 5:30 and will conclude at 8 p.m.

Entertainment will be provided by Trial by Fire, a Journey tribute band from Gastonia. Spectators are encouraged to bring their lawn chairs. The Blueberry Drop committee strongly encourages no outside coolers, no pets, and no alcohol. Food trucks will offer a variety of selections. Of course, the lighted Blueberry Drop will take place at 7 p.m., New Year’s Eve Greenwich Mean Time.

“This is a family-fun event and we’re pleased to partner once again with the Town of Burgaw and the NC Blueberry Festival on this annual event,” said Tammy Proctor, Pender County Tourism director.

For more information or to become a sponsor contact Burgaw Parks, Recreation & Tourism at 910-300-6401 or visit our website https://burgawnc.gov/blueberrydrop.

What’s COOKING IN OUR TOWN

Thanksgiving Turkey Cheese Ball

You Will Need
• 1 8oz. Package cream cheese
• 1 c. shredded cheddar
• 1/2 c. chopped mixed nuts
• 2 candy eyes
• 1 Slim Jim
• Pretzel sticks
• 1 round chocolate candy, such as a Whopper, for the head
• 1 candy corn
• A few teaspoons of melted chocolate melts to adhere the eyes and “beak”

Directions
1. Soften cream cheese and cheddar cheese. Cream the cream cheese and add in the shredded cheddar. Stir and “cream” until both cheeses are thoroughly mixed together. Place the mixture on plastic wrap and form into a ball. Place in refrigerator for a few hours to firm it up.
2. Take it out of the refrigerator and roll in chopped nuts being careful to keep the nice round shape.
3. Place pretzels as in picture to make the nice full tail of the turkey. A bit of chocolate melt to glue the round chocolate candy to about a 4 or 5 inch piece of Slim Jim. Once the eyes and “beak” are glued, place in freezer for a few minutes to harden into place. After inserting the “neck” Slim Jim into the cheese ball, place the entire thing on a plate and into the refrigerator for overnight.

Have a favorite recipe you would like to share with your community?
Send it in and we will feature a seasonal recipe in Our Town! Recipes can be sent to the Town Clerk at kwells@burgawnc.gov or drop off at Town Hall.

MAKE PLANS NOW TO JOIN US FOR THE 4TH ANNUAL NEW YEAR’S EVE BLUEBERRY DROP!
Senior fitness class off to a great start

David Populus from Populus Personal Training is leading resistance band classes for our seniors ages 55 and better on Monday mornings at 8:15 am. The last class of the year will be December 6th. Classes will resume January 3, 2022. Due to construction at the Burgaw Community House, stay tuned to Facebook or call 661-3100 for the class location.

Police Chief Hock was guest speaker at recent Lunch & Learn

On November 17th, Burgaw Parks, Recreation & Tourism held another Lunch and Learn at Bandanas. Chief Hock from Burgaw Police Department spoke to those in attendance about identity theft and internet scams. For more information about identity theft and internet scams, contact the Burgaw Police Department at 910-259-4924. Stay tuned for more information about our next Lunch & Learn!
Burgaw Rotary Club makes improvements to Rotary Park

Special thanks to the Burgaw Rotary Club for conducting annual maintenance through the Adopt-A-Park Program this past weekend at Rotary Park. The project included painting the Rotary Park sign, painting the gazebo area, and water sealing the little library donated by Pender High and the Burgaw Rotary Club. We thank all those involved for beautifying our parks and staying involved with our department. For more information on the Adopt-A-Park Program, visit burgawnc.gov/adoptapark.

OFFICIAL DROPOFF LOCATION FOR YOUR LETTER TO SANTA!

Children can mail their letters to Santa in the mailbox located outside of Town Hall beginning December 1st through December 16th. Be sure to include your name and address with your wish list so Santa can send a letter back!

Business Spotlight

WEEKLY FEATURE SPONSORED BY BURGAW TDA

Burgaw Motel

WHAT: Burgaw Motel is local family-owned motel with 24 rooms. Staff does their best to provide a clean, safe lodging place for people traveling the historic town of Burgaw and surrounding areas.

WHERE: 605 US Hwy 117 N, Burgaw

HOURS: 24 hours a day, 365 days a year

PHONE: 910-259-4550

EMAIL: burgawmotel@gmail.com

WEBSITE: burgawmotel.wixsite.com/burgaw-motel

Want your business featured?

Each week, the Burgaw Tourism Development Authority (TDA) will select a registered business to be featured as TDA’s Business Spotlight of the Week. Keep in mind that depending on the number of applicants, it may take time before your business is featured as Business spotlight of the Week. Provide all required details to register your business. Please only register your business once. Registration is only open to businesses inside the Burgaw corporate limits. Participants can register by visiting burgawnc.gov/spotlight.
Meeting SCHEDULE

All meetings are held at the Historic Train Depot, located at 115 S. Dickerson Street, Burgaw, unless otherwise posted.

Meeting agendas can be found on the town’s website at BurgawNC.gov.

Notices for cancelations and special called meetings will be posted on the town’s website and weekly newsletter when necessary.

For questions or assistance, please contact the Town Clerk at 910-663-3441 or kwells@burgawnc.gov.

Board of Commissioners Meetings
Second Tuesday of every month | 4:30 PM
Public Forum/Public Hearings at 5:30 PM

Planning & Zoning Board Meetings
Third Thursday of every month | 5:30 PM

Burgaw Area Tourism Development Authority
First Thursday of every month | 8:30 AM

Parks & Recreation Advisory Committee
Second Monday of January, March, May, July, September, November | 5:30 PM

Police Advisory Board
Third Tuesday of February, May, August, November | 5:30 PM

2021 RECYCLING SCHEDULE

**EAST side of Railroad Right-of-way**
July 14
July 28
August 11
August 25
September 8
September 22
October 6
October 20
November 3
November 17
December 1
December 15
December 29

**WEST side of Railroad Right-of-way**
July 7
July 21
August 4
August 18
September 1
September 15
September 29
October 13
October 27
November 10
November 24
December 8
December 22

“Railroad Right-of-way” is the Train Depot at 115 S. Dickerson Street

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Sign up with “Notify Me” on our website to receive the weekly newsletter and other important information directly to your email and/or via text message!

Visit BurgawNC.gov to sign up today!

BURGAW, NC

T-Shirts & License Tags

Stop by today to purchase a Burgaw, NC t-shirt and a license tag for just $10 each. Available for purchase Monday-Friday, 8am-5pm at Town Hall, 109 N. Walker Street.

Provided by the Burgaw Tourism Development Authority

Public Works Emergency Response Number

PHONE # 910-470-0457

This phone is only answered after hours, between 4:30 PM - 7:30 AM, and is for water and sewer emergencies only. Unless Public Works has been given prior Notice from Town Hall, Public Works cannot turn your water on due to non-payment shut off.

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8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
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Utilities
663-3445

Parks & Town Events
300-6401

Human Resources
663-3444

Permitting & Inspections
663-3452

Public Works Department
259-2901

Police Department
Non-Emergency
259-4924

Fire Department
Non-Emergency
259-7494

Elected & Appointed Officials

Mayor
Kenneth T. Cowan

Mayor Pro Tem
Wilfred Robbins

Commissioners
Jan Dawson
James Murphy
Bill George
Vernon Harrell

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James H. Gantt

Town Clerk
Kristin J. Wells

Town Attorney
Zachary Rivenbark