



# LEWISVILLE CITIZEN

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Jack Warren Park Nature Trail/Disc Golf Course

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One-Day Delay in Trash Services All Week

▲ [LewisvilleNC.net](http://LewisvilleNC.net)

## Playground Loading

Shallowford Square will soon be the home to a new playground! After working with staff, contractors, and the Parks and Recreation Committee, the vision for the new structure is getting closer to being a reality.

This playground will be even larger

than the previous structure, with a total of 5,000 square feet of play space. It will also be more inclusive, designed for players with a range of abilities and of different ages. Part of the design includes a long sloping pathway, which will be wheelchair accessible.

There will also be more interactive features, like the new spinning



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## Permanent Art Piece Installed at Mary Alice Warren Community Center

The Town of Lewisville is proud to showcase a beautiful new art piece created by longtime resident Betty Tysor, whose journey into art is just as incredible as her work. Her piece was selected as a permanent fixture by the Public Arts Advisory Committee.

Born in 1933 in Siler City, NC, Tysor has led a full and vibrant life. As a dedicated professional, she  
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Artist Betty Tysor



## From Your Mayor Perseverance

Hello Lewisville Residents! As I always say, these installments are a great way for me to touch on topics that I think you'll find interesting. This is also a way for me to share bits of myself with you as your Mayor.

Today, I'd like to tell a story about perseverance. We all can recall moments in our lives when God spoke to us.

When I was 12, I met one of the best friends that I ever had in my life, a Yorkshire Terrier puppy, who was also a little Yorkshire Terror at times. She was born on Valentine's Day in 2005. As a family, we agreed to name her Dutchess.

Dutchess was the best pet a kid could have. She was small but had a huge heart. Dutchess chased away her fair share of rottweilers, pit bulls, German Shepherds, etc. She was never intimidated by being the smallest dog at the dog park. It was as if she didn't even know she was small.

When I was 22, I moved into my 1st apartment and brought Dutchess with me. She was 10 years old at the time, but she hadn't missed a beat. By this time, I knew Dutchess was no spring chicken anymore, but she was so active and still seemed like her normal puppy self to me.

The 1st major issue for Dutchess was a condition called Tracheal Collapse, a respiratory condition in smaller breeds. The worst part is that it leads to an awful cough, triggered by excitement. At 12 and 13 years old, Dutchess was still very excited and happy, but she didn't know why she kept coughing. With back-and-forth trips to the vet, I was able to remedy

the situation, but it slowly grew worse.

Through it all, Dutchess didn't let it get to her. She still loved life. It was as if she didn't even know about her condition.

When she was 13, I realized that Dutchess had lost most of her vision. It broke me down to tears. But Dutchess kept going. She still wanted her bacon snacks. She still stood on guard at the sound of trouble. Dutchess memorized where to use the bathroom outside and was able to make it back to my apartment door completely on her own.

How could such a happy being manage to persevere through so much pain?

2019 was a very challenging year in my life. I feared that I may have hit a dead end in my professional career, I was recovering from a major heartbreak, and I dealt with the loss of my grandfather. Anytime I felt defeated, I would look at Dutchess to remind me what it means to persevere.

On October 30th, 2019, Dutchess was called home to God. She has no idea how important she was to me. I had to take a day off from work because I'd never experienced pain like that before. I'm thankful for the lessons that were learned, and I hope Dutchess' story helps you persevere through your challenges in life.

Thank you for listening.

Mayor Billy Carter, Jr.



Billy Carter, Jr.

### Playground Update Cont.

Tic-Tac-Toe panels, rock-climbing, and spinning gears. Two large canopies cover either end of the playground, providing shade.

The site will be on the North Street end of the park, where Crepe Myrtles stand. These are the same Crepe Myrtles that the Town Pub-

lic Works Department transplanted from around the previous play area, by David McKee Street.

Construction will be starting soon, and we're hoping to have it built and ready for fun by the summer!



Rendering of playground side B

### Top Event Tips

- **Arrive 30 minutes early.** Getting here before the show starts is always a good idea, so there's time to find good parking and check out the food trucks.
- **Have cash.** While most food trucks accept credit cards, it's always handy to have a few extra dollars in your pocket.
- **Bring a lawn chair or blanket.** It's the best way to be comfortable and enjoy the concerts.
- **Meet your community!** The Town events are a great time to see our Lewisville friends and neighbors gathering together.

*The events at Shallowford Square are thoughtfully planned to offer an array of events for our residents. We do our best to host bands that everyone will enjoy!*

### Art Cont.

worked for many years as a book-keeper for Glenola Frame Works in High Point before launching her own successful furniture company, Salem Square, which sold 18th-century hand-rubbed mahogany furniture. She worked there well into her 70s.

More than three decades ago, she moved to Lewisville to be close to her daughter and has quickly become an active member of the community. She is a member of Shallowford Presbyterian Church and has been a choir member there for many years. Tysor also frequents the Lewisville Branch Library and has a love of reading.

Finding herself with extra time on her hands, Tysor checked out a few books on painting from the Lewisville Branch Library and decided to try something new. It was then, in her 80s, that she discovered a new passion for painting. Since then, she has been featured in many art shows at the library and is always thankful to share her artwork with the community.

Her piece, *Painting Away*, now has a permanent place at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center in the Great Wagon Room. Not only does it enhance the space, but it also celebrates the lifelong learning and vibrant spirit of our town.



Betty Tysor, 'Painting Away'

### From the Desk of Jon Hanna

*A Salute to Lewisville's Quiet Hero*

The third full week of May is National Public Works Week, when we are encouraged to consider and appreciate all the ways Public Works impacts our lives. When I think of impacts in Public Works, I can't help but think of David Matthews. Many things have changed in Lewisville over the last 23 years, but one dependable constant has been David. Since July of 2003, he has been a rock-steady, ever-present, sometimes single-handed fixture behind the scenes in Lewisville. He built the stage for plays, carried the load for concerts, and worked days on end to help fireworks happen. He's trimmed the trees, patched the potholes, cleaned the toilets, and kept the street lights burning. Lately, David acts as Facilities Manager and Safety Officer, juggling everything it takes to keep all our buildings functioning and all his coworkers comfortable and safe. Having worked under 7 Town Managers, 13 Councils,

and countless versions of staff, David has been the glue of institutional knowledge that quietly held everything together through all the transitions. Through all this, he battled health scares



and weathered significant personal tragedy, but nights, weekends, holidays; rain, snow, or shine, for over two decades, David Matthews has never let Lewisville down. Next time you see him out, shake the man's hand!

### GET SOCIAL!



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## From the Firehouse Congratulations Truett

Lane Truett was presented with the Firefighter of the Year Award by Karen Cox of the Rotary Club of Western Forsyth and the Lewisville Fire Department's Volunteer of the Year Award for 2025. At the presentation ceremony held by the Rotary Club, Chief Needham shared Lane's background. Lane started in 1980 as a Junior Firefighter for the Gumtree Fire Department. Lane joined the Winston-Salem Fire Department in 1988 and worked 32 years for the Winston-Salem Fire Department, working his way up to the position of Fire Captain. He started helping with the Lewisville Fire Department in 1989 and is currently Assistant Chief. Lane has a degree in Fire Protection Engineering from Guilford Technical Community College. Karen Cox presented Lane with a caricature of himself created by local artist Mike Wilson.



Lane Truett receives the Lewisville Firefighter of the Year Award with Chief Darin Needham and Karen Cox from the Rotary Club of Western Forsyth

### Hot Car Warning

- Never leave children, pets, or anyone unable to exit on their own inside a parked vehicle.
- On a 90°F day, car interiors can reach 140°F in minutes, which is extremely dangerous.
- Call 911 immediately if you see a child or pet locked in a hot vehicle.

### Want to Volunteer?

Both of your fire departments are always looking for new volunteers. If you are interested, contact us at the numbers below or visit [LewisvilleFire.com](http://LewisvilleFire.com)

Call our non-emergency line at:

Lewisville Fire Dept: (336) 945-5983

Vienna Fire Dept: (336) 945-5631

## Blood Donors Needed June 3

Mark your calendars for the upcoming Town Blood Drive on **Wednesday, June 3** from **1-5:30 p.m.** The Town of Lewisville is partnering with the American Red Cross to host a blood drive at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center, 7632 Warren Park Dr.

Register to be a donor by visiting [LewisvilleNC.net/BloodDrive](http://LewisvilleNC.net/BloodDrive) or calling 1-800-733-2767. Walk-ins are welcome if space allows.

We are currently in a severe blood shortage due to the extreme winter weather in January, so please consider donating to ensure patients have lifesaving blood available.

Donate blood and help save lives.

## Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee

Every day can be an opportunity to care for our planet. Instead of an Earth Day event this year, we invite you to join us at the Town's Community Day in Lewisville on May 2nd. Come make a difference by recycling unusual items and then enjoy a variety of environmental activities, free food, games, and a chance to connect with neighbors.

Now is the perfect time to consider repairing or upgrading your home's defenses against summer heat. Staying cool indoors is possible without using more electricity. Try hanging dark curtains or shades to keep the heat outside. If those aren't available, posterboard can be moved from window to window as the sun shifts, helping maintain a comfortable temperature inside. Don't forget to check the weather stripping on your doors for added efficiency.

Outdoors, use rain barrels to store water for your garden during dry spells. Rake grass, twigs, and brush into berms to manage water flow naturally. When adding plants, choose North Carolina natives—they are at home in our red clay and look great for outdoor entertaining.

Keep cool by making every day Earth Day!

## Lewisville Safety Welcome Deputy Ray Burns

The Town of Lewisville is pleased to announce that Ray Burns has joined the Town's public safety team as a Deputy in March 2026.

"I really enjoy being part of Lewisville because of how close I live. It makes me feel I am directly impacting my community," Burns shared.

If Burns looks familiar, you might have already seen him, as he helped other Lewisville deputies hand out candy on Halloween last October. "Being able to hand out stickers to children and speak with veterans has made my experience enjoyable," he said about the experience.

Prior to law enforcement, Burns served as a US Army Paratrooper for over 20 years. Between his service in Afghanistan and Iraq, he completed over 100 parachute jumps. He is also pursuing a degree in Homeland Security.

Outside of work, Burns spends time with his wife, their two dogs, two cats, and a turtle. When he's not traveling, you'll typically find him doing D.I.Y. home repairs or grilling a delicious meal.

We're excited for Burns to be part of Lewisville and look forward to seeing him around town!



## LEWISVILLE CONNECT



➤ [LewisvilleNC.net/Connect](http://LewisvilleNC.net/Connect)

# Upcoming May - June Events

May  
02  
10A-2P

## Community Day in Lewisville

Bring your friends, family, and neighbors to join us at Jack Warren Park/ Mary Alice Warren Community Center for a fun-filled day! There will be games, hands-on activities, and live demonstrations for all.

The Special Recycling Event will be hosted by the Environmental Conservation and Sustainability Committee. Visit [LewisvilleNC.net/SpecialRecycling](http://LewisvilleNC.net/SpecialRecycling)

Admission is FREE! The Lewisville Civic Club will have a free breakfast of doughnuts and coffee. The Vienna Civic Club will have a free lunch of hot dogs, chips, and drinks. (Both while supplies last.)



May  
15  
@ Dark

## Starlight Movie Night

### *Jurassic World: Rebirth (2025)*

“Survival is a long shot.” Join us at Shallowford Square for our first Starlight Movie Night of the year! Come see *Jurassic World: Rebirth (2025)* on the big screen. Bring friends and family to enjoy an amazing cinema experience under the stars!

Admission is FREE! The movie begins at dark. Concessions for purchase. Scout Troop 10231 will host BINGO before the movie!



May  
25  
6-8 PM

## Military Appreciation Concert

Come honor our heroes with an evening of music at Shallowford Square. Join us on Memorial Day from 6-8 p.m. for the **Embers ft. Craig Woolard**! We'll kick off the evening with the Presentation of Colors and the Pledge of Allegiance, proudly led by the American Legion Post 255.

Admission is FREE! We'll have incredible food trucks!



June  
20  
6-9 PM

## Street Party & Food Truck Festival

Get ready to party! Live music starting at 7 p.m. **The Entertainers** are back this year, and they will have you singing and dancing the whole time.

The **food truck lineup** will be announced on social media and the Town website, so stay tuned. Alcoholic beverages will be available for purchase.

Admission is FREE!



June  
27  
6-8 PM

## Special Independence Day Tribute Concert

Join the Town for a Special Independence Day tribute featuring live music by **On the Border - The Ultimate Eagles Tribute Band**. See the Presentation of Colors by the American Legion Post 522. It's going to be an amazing night of music and tribute under the stars.

Admission is FREE! We'll have more incredible food trucks!



Please remember that pets and outside alcohol are prohibited at Town parks. Coolers are allowed.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

**MAY 11**

### LHS Membership Meeting

The Lewisville Historical Society's Membership Meeting will be held at the Mary Alice Warren Community Center at 6 p.m. Historian and author, Marcia Phillips will present a talk about her new book, *The Regulator Movement in North Carolina*. Phillips will highlight the Regulator Movement, an important Patriot grassroots movement that led up to the Revolutionary War in North Carolina. Light refreshments. Free and open to the public. Co-sponsored by the Lewisville Branch Library.

For more, call 336-766-5842.

**MAY 17**

### An Olde Fashioned Ice-Cream Social @ Nissen House

The Historic Nissen House invites you to join them between 2 and 4 p.m. on the picturesque lawn for a morning of delightful ice cream treats, games, and a tour of the historic home. Don't miss out

on this chance to meet your neighbors, both past & present! We'll see you there!

For more, visit [NissenHouse.org](http://NissenHouse.org).

**JUNE 13**

### Appendix Cancer Awareness Walk

Join the ACPMP walk at Jack Warren Park, hosted by the Appendix Cancer Pseudomyxoma Peritonei Research Foundation. Check-in begins at 9:30 a.m., with the walk from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. Everyone is welcome to walk any distance they are comfortable. After the walk, lunch and yard games will be provided.

For more, visit [ACPMP.org](http://ACPMP.org).

**Send Us Your Non-Profit Public Events**

Submit entries to  
[vleasure@lewisvillenc.net](mailto:vleasure@lewisvillenc.net)

**DEADLINE: JUNE 10**

## Lewisville Beautification Committee 'Yard of the Week' to Start for 2026

Have you seen the "Yard of the Week" sign in your neighborhood?

The Lewisville Beautification Committee gives this award to the best yards we can find as we go through the spring and summer seasons. The award recognizes the hard work and commitment it takes to keep our yards in peak form. We look for well-manicured yards with lots of color.

If you know of a yard that we should consider, we would love to hear from you. Contact Lewisville Town Hall, and they'll get the address to the committee. In an effort to make sure we can recognize the many wonderful yards we have in our town, we do our best not to duplicate an award for three years.

You can check out past winners on the Town website!

Visit [LewisvilleNC.net](http://LewisvilleNC.net) for more.

## Lewisville Branch Library News

**All Forsyth County Public Libraries will be closed on: Monday, May 25 for Memorial Day.**

**Summer Reading** at the library is from June 5-July 25.

**Youth Programs:** Storytime will be on hiatus in May. **Family Storytime** on Thursday June 18 at 6:30 p.m. **Book Babies** on Mondays in June at 9:30 a.m. **Toddler Storytime** on Mondays in June at 10:30 a.m. **Preschool Storytime** on Tuesdays in June at 10 a.m. **Pokémon Club** on Wednesdays, May 6 and June 3 at 4 p.m. **Mini Masters: Art Adventures for Kids** on Saturday, June 20 from 1-3 p.m. **D&D for Teens** (ages 12-17) on May 4 & 16 and June 1 & 15 from 4-5:30 p.m. **STEAM for Tweens** (ages 8-12) on June 10 at 4 p.m. **Builders' Club** (ages 6-12) on May 20 and June 17 at 4 p.m. **Make & Take Crafts for Kids** on May 4-9

and June 1-6 **Search & Find activity** on May 18-23 June 15-20.

**Adult Programs:** **Yoga for Beginners** on May 7 & 21 and June 4 & 18 at noon. **Belly Dancing for Beginners** on May 1 and June 19 at 11 a.m. **Hook & Loop Group** (needle crafts) on May 6 and June 3 at 11 a.m. **Color and Coffee** on May 8 & 22 and June 12 & 26 at 10 a.m. **Lewisville Historical Society Presents...** on May 11 at 6 p.m. (Mary Alice Warren Community Center). **Tai Chi for Beginners** is on May 8 & 22 and June 12 & 26 at 2 p.m. **Witchy Washi & Whatnot Crafting** on May 20 and June 16 at 10 a.m. (registration required). **Book Clubs:** **Tuesdays at Two Book Club** on May 5 and June 2 at 2 p.m.; **Books for Dudes Book Club** on May 14 and June 11 at 6 p.m.; **Friends Book Club** on May 26 and June 22 at 6:30 p.m. **Computer Training Bridge**

**Series** has a class on May 27 and June 24 at 1 p.m. (registration required for both).

**Special Interest:** **Forsyth County DSS Drop-In Help** every Friday from 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. **Junk Journal Demonstration** on June 13 at 11 a.m. **Family Game Night** on June 25 at 5:30 p.m. **T-Rex Tea Party** on June 30 at 2 p.m. (ages 3-10. Registration required.) **Snack Around the World** on June 22 at 4 p.m. (ages 11-18. Registration Required.)

**Other: Family Films** are on the first Wednesday of the month at 5:30 p.m. The annual **Lewisville Branch Reading Contest** runs from Jan. 1 until Dec. 12.

Call the branch at 336-703-2940 for more info or to register for a program.

## American Legion Honors Veterans, Hosts Memorial Day Program

American Legion Post 522 will honor Veterans in a special way this upcoming Memorial Day. The members will host the annual Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 25, at the Veteran's Memorial at Shallowford Square.

The ceremony will include the Presentation of Colors by the Post Color Guard, a 21-gun salute by the Post Rifle Square, and the placing of the wreath at the Battle Cross and POW memorials.



## Battle Cross Memorial Bricks Available for Purchase

The American Legion Post 522 is offering a meaningful way to remember and honor a Veteran by selling engraved Memorial bricks.

The bricks will be placed at the Battle Cross Memorial in Shallowford Square. Attendees will also be able to purchase these memorial bricks during the Memorial Day ceremony at 11 a.m. on Monday, May 25.

The cost per brick is \$150, payable by cash or check only, and may be purchased to honor any living or deceased Veteran. This offers a wonderful way to remember and honor a Veteran.

For more information, please contact American Legion Post 522 Vice Commander Mike Jones at 336-829-0145 or via email at [jonesm2@bellsouth.net](mailto:jonesm2@bellsouth.net).



## Celebrating the 57th Annual Professional Clerks Week



May 3 through May 9, 2026, is the 57th Annual Professional Clerks Week. Initiated in 1969 by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks (IIMC) and endorsed by all of its members throughout the United States, Canada, and 15 other countries, this is a week of celebration and reflection on the importance of the Clerk's office. In 1984, President Ronald Reagan signed a proclamation officially declaring Municipal Clerks Week the first full week of May. In 1994 and 1996, President Bill Clinton also signed proclamations confirming Municipal Clerks Week.

For Lewisville, that means we celebrate the incredible clerks who have served and currently serve the Town. To our previous clerks: Janet Wrights, Joyce Walker, Dora Moore, and our current Town Clerk, Angie Lord, we thank you for the duties you provide!

## Projects Around Town

Construction on the **new roundabout** at Lewisville-Vienna Road and Robinhood Road is set to begin in Spring 2026, and residents may see overhead power lines being moved to new poles already. The project will take about a year, with an expected end date of Spring 2027. Most of the work is planned for the summer months to reduce impacts on school traffic. This will improve safety and keep traffic flowing more freely.

Construction of the **Great Wagon Road** is making progress. North Carolina Department of Transportation crews are relocating overhead utilities and installing underground infrastructure, including water, sewer, and natural gas lines. Residents may already notice asphalt being placed. While some trees near the Roller Mill have been removed, new trees will be planted. Although the contract extends to 2029, we anticipate the project to be completed earlier. This project will ease traffic on Shallowford Road and control our growth while supporting change.

Find project updates at [LewisvilleNC.net/Projects](http://LewisvilleNC.net/Projects).

### Lewisville Town Council

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Mayor

**Stacy Howard**  
Mayor Pro Tem

**Brady Allen**

**Fred Franklin**

**Gerry Gallagher**

**Suzanne Newsome**

**Mack Wilder**

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Town Manager

**Jon Hanna**

Public Works Director,  
Assistant Town Manager

**Pam Orrell**

Finance Director

### **Lynn Cochran**

Planning Director

**Angie Lord**

Town Clerk

**Veronica Leasure**

Communications Specialist

**Michelle Bennett**

Customer Service Representative/Events Coordinator

**Brian Moore**

Community Center  
Operations Manager

**David Matthews**

Facilities Manager

**Leslie Nations**

Accounting Clerk

**Hal Bodenhamer**

Maintenance Technician

### Deputies

**Sgt. P. J. Stringer**

**Daxton Bodenheimer**

**Ray Burns**

**Eric Hammonds**

**Ethan Goings**

**Caleb Gray**

**Alexander O'Shields**

### Board & Committee Chairs

**Aaron Hutmacher**

Parks, Recreation & Cultural  
Resources Committee

**Mike Mulligan**

Planning Board

**Phil May**

Willow Run MSD

### **Kenneth Wernick**

Zoning Board of Adjustment

**Christi Ritter**

Beautification Committee

**Kay Smitherman**

Environmental Conservation  
& Sustainability Committee

**John Armbruster**

Public Art  
Advisory Committee

*Interested in  
joining a Board  
or Committee?*

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## **TOWN MEETING SCHEDULE**

### **TOWN COUNCIL**

Town Council Briefing and Action Agenda Meeting is held the 1st Thursday of the month.

Town Council regular meetings are the 2nd Thursday of the month.

### **BOARDS**

Planning Board meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

Willow Run Municipal Service District Board meets quarterly.

Zoning Board of Adjustment meets the 4th Tuesday, if there are cases to be heard.

### **COMMITTEES**

Beautification Committee meets the 3rd Monday of the month.

Environmental Conservation & Sustainability Committee meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month.

Parks, Recreation & Cultural Development Committee meets the 2nd Monday of the month, if needed.

Public Art Advisory Committee meets the 1st Monday of the month.

*Unless otherwise noted, meeting times will be 6:00 p.m.*

*Please visit [LewisvilleNC.net](http://LewisvilleNC.net) to verify meeting times, dates, and locations.*

## **Mary Alice Warren Community Center Programming Continues**

For a full class listing, visit [Lewisville.RecDesk.com](http://Lewisville.RecDesk.com) & click on classes

For more info, visit [LewisvilleNC.net/MAWCC](http://LewisvilleNC.net/MAWCC)