

FOCUS

On Fuquay-Varina

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Town Board	Mon., Oct. 3
Fire Department Open House	Sat., Oct. 8 10 am—4 pm
Board of Adjustment	Mon., Oct. 10
Planning Board	Mon., Oct. 17
Town Board	Tues., Oct. 18
Trick or Treat Event In Downtown	Fri., Oct. 28 2-5 pm
Medicine Drop Walgreen's Hosted by F-V Police	Sat., Oct. 29 10 am—2 pm
Day in Downtown Chili Cook-off Downtown	Sat., Oct. 29 10 am—4 pm
Halloween	Mon., Oct. 31
Town Board	Mon., Nov. 7
Veteran's Day Town Offices Closed	Fri., Nov. 11

Meetings start at 7 pm at Town Hall located at 401 Old Honeycutt Road. Other event times and places indicated.

Fuquay-Varina's Elected Officials

Mayor

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Town Hires Key Positions

Two key staff positions have been filled at Town Hall. Dan Gray, a Fuquay-Varina native, has been hired as Human Resources Director and Jim Seymour, who relocated to Fuquay-Varina from Buffalo New York, has been hired as Economic Development Director. Town Manager Jon Barlow commented that "an extensive search was conducted to fill both positions and I am confident that the right people have been found to fill these important roles at the Town. Dan and Jim bring a wealth of knowledge, excellent qualifications and years of experience to their respective positions. We are very excited about them joining our team."



Dan Gray

Mr. Gray will lead the Human Resources Department and be responsible for employee and labor relations, benefits administration, recruitment and selection,

classification and compensation, organizational development, and all related aspects of Human Resources. The position has been vacant for approximately two years.

As Economic Development Director, Mr. Seymour will be tasked with attracting new businesses, industry and jobs, as well as retaining existing businesses in Fuquay-Varina. He will also be responsible for identifying development projects, financing tools and incentive programs, and recommending business strategies that lead to economic growth in Fuquay-Varina. He will also act as Executive Director of the Fuquay-Varina Economic Development Commission which is governed by a Board of Directors.



Jim Seymour

Election Day-Nov. 8

Fuquay-Varina voters will elect the Mayor and three commissioners in a non-partisan election on Tuesday, November 8.

The two candidates for Mayor are:

- John W. Byrne
- Michael Dorman

The eight candidates for Town Commissioner are:

- Charlie Adcock
- Garion Bunn
- Paxton Galvanek
- William (Bill) Harris
- Sean Hearn
- Ed Ridpath
- Tommy Williford
- Jason Ora Wunsch

Learn more about the candidates running for local office at a Candidate's Forum hosted by the Fuquay-Varina Chamber of Commerce on Monday, October 17 from 7-9 pm at STARS Theatre located at 123 E. Vance Street in Fuquay-Varina.

NOW AVAILABLE



IN DOWNTOWN

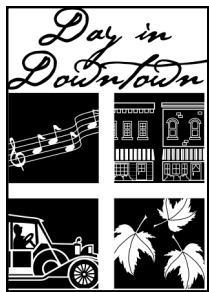
Holidays and Trash Collection



Holidays can present problems for trash customers. Changes regarding the trash collection schedule are one of the most frequently asked questions here at

Town Hall. It's a very important service provided by the town and residents like to know that their trash will be picked up in a timely consistent manner. Rest assured we take our responsibility of good customer service seriously.

There are only two holidays a year that affect trash collection. Trash is not collected on Thanksgiving or Christmas Day. That's it. Citizens can expect to have their trash collected on their normal service day on all other holidays. On Veteran's Day, Friday, Nov. 11, make sure to pay tribute to our Veteran's and put your trash out as normal! For those that would have service on Thanksgiving Day (Thursday, Nov. 24), plan on garbage service on Friday, Nov. 25.



Day In Downtown Festival and Chili Cook-Off

Saturday, October 29

10 am—4 pm

Downtown Fuquay-Varina

Music ♦ Crafts ♦ Food

♦ Pumpkin Pie Contest ♦

♦ Pumpkin Carving Contest ♦

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Veteran's Day—Friday, Nov. 11

Town Hall & the Community Center will be closed.

Smoke Alarms Save Lives



While National Fire Prevention Week is officially Oct – 9-15, the Fuquay-Varina Fire Department will be celebrating all month long with visits to local schools and organizations. It's a great opportunity to provide excellent information for parents, children, teachers, and for firefighters to teach fire safety and prevention. Fuquay-Varina Fire Chief Tony Mauldin states, "Fire alarms are an important part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you an early warning so you can get outside quickly." Here are some smoke alarm safety tips:

- INSTALL smoke alarms inside every bedroom, outside each sleeping area, and on every level of the home, including the basement.
- A good rule of thumb to remember

with smoke alarms is to CHANGE the batteries at daylight savings time, twice a year. Daylight savings occurs this fall on Nov. 6 so mark your calendar and buy batteries! If your smoke alarm starts chirping or beeping change the batteries right away.

- REPLACE all smoke alarms when they are 10 years old or sooner if they do not respond properly when tested.
- TEST smoke alarms at least monthly using the test button.
- When the alarm sounds, get out and stay out.

Working smoke alarms cut the risk of dying in reported home fires in half and roughly two-thirds of home fire deaths happen in homes with NO smoke alarm or no working smoke alarms. Simply stated, smoke alarms are the single most important means of preventing fatal fires but they can't help if they are missing or they don't work.

Fuquay-Varina Police Host Medicine Drop

Sat. Oct. 29, 10 am—2 pm

Fuquay-Varina Police will be hosting a Medicine Drop on Saturday, October 29 from 10 am – 2 pm at Walgreens located at 1401 N. Main Street. National studies show that removing unnecessary medications from a home can significantly reduce the chances of accidental child poisoning. Police will be on hand to answer poison control questions.



This is the 3rd Medicine Drop organized by the Town of Fuquay-Varina Police in the last 12 months. At the event in late August, over 10,000 pills were collected. It's easy to participate. Simply bring your old or unneeded prescriptions to Walgreens and Fuquay-Varina Police will dispose of them properly.



Halloween

The Town of Fuquay-Varina does not recognize an official day to celebrate Halloween. Traditionally, Halloween is on October 31st which falls on a Monday this year, but it's up to parents to decide when their children will trick or treat. Here are a few tips from Fuquay-Varina Police to keep the evening fun and safe:

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- A responsible adult should accompany children at all times.
- Only go to homes with a porch light on and never enter a home or car for a treat.
- Pedestrian injuries are common on Halloween. Children should stay in groups; Remain on well-lit streets; Use crosswalks if available; Never cross between parked cars.
- Don't assume the right of way. Just because one car stops doesn't mean others will!

Call the Fuquay-Varina Police at 552-3191 to report any problems.

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