

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

April	May	June
4 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall	2 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall	6 Planning Board, 6 pm, City Hall
10 City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall	8 City Council Meeting, 7pm, City Hall	12 City Council Meeting, 7 pm, City Hall
13 Senior Easter Bingo Hop, 11 am, Presbyterian Church of Lowell	14 Mother's Day	18 Father's Day
14 City Offices Closed (Good Friday)	22 Master Planning Comm., 6 pm, City Hall	22 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center
15 Easter Egg Hunt, 11-12:30 pm, Harold Rankin Park	22 Lowell Women's Club, 7 pm, Community Center	26 Master Planning Comm., 6 pm, City Hall
16 Easter	25 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center	
24 Master Planning Committee, 6 pm, City Hall	26 Freedom Festival, 6-10 pm, Harold Rankin Park	
25 Lowell Women's Club, 7 pm, Community Center	27 Freedom Festival, 10 am- 10 pm, Harold Rankin Park	
27 Recreation Commission, 6 pm, Community Center	29 City Offices Closed (Memorial Day)	

Lowell Parks & Recreation



Lowell Parks & Recreation will host a Senior Easter Bingo Hop on **Thursday, April 13th** at the Presbyterian Church of Lowell starting at 11:00 am. Cost is \$3.00 for residents of Lowell, and \$5.00 for non-residents. Payment will be taken the day of the event at the door. Seats are limited, so please R.S.V.P. by Friday, April 7th. To register, call City Hall at 704-824-3518.

Also, Lowell Parks & Recreation has scheduled the Annual Easter Egg Hunt at Harold Rankin Park on **Saturday, April 15th**, 11:00am-12:30pm. Ages 0-12. Easter Bunny photos for \$10.00. Co-sponsored by Epic Church and First Baptist of Lowell.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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City Council	
Ken Ervin	704-824-4182
Candy Funderburk	704-824-2816
Thomas Gillespie	704-824-1249
Sam Mitchem, Jr.	704-824-8251
Shane Robinson	704-824-1971
City Manager - Kevin Krouse	704-824-3518
City Clerk - Beverly Harris	704-824-3518
Police Chief - Scott Bates	704-824-8540
Fire Chief - Scott Moore	704-824-3357
Public Works Director - Thomas Shrewsbury	704-824-1072
Parks & Recreation	704-824-0099

After-hrs non-emergency law enforcement. 704-866-3300

After-hrs Public Works emergencies. 704-506-3145
704-506-3146

City Website www.lowellnc.com
Fire Department Website www.lowellfd.com

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The City of Lowell newsletter is published quarterly inform the residents of Lowell about their city and related activities. Questions and comments should be directed to the City Clerk's Office, 101 West First Street, Lowell, NC 28098.

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Std. Mail
Non-profit
Permit #1
Lowell 28098

POSTAL CUSTOMER

Lowell Freedom Festival

2017

★ Harold Rankin Park ★

519 Park Cir. Lowell, NC 28098

Fri., May 26th & Sat., May 27th
6PM to 10PM & 10AM to 10PM

Friday Family Night

6PM Opening Ceremony

6:15PM - 7:30PM



TEEN music choice

8PM - 10PM

Bobby Ray Bittle Band

www.BobbyRayBittle.com

Featuring
Captain Jim
and Sky High Skylar

The Best
Magic Show
Around!!

Friday
6PM - 10PM

Saturday
10AM - 5PM

Ride Ticket Pricing

Friday ONLY \$15 Unlimited Arm Band Pass

Saturday - 1 sheet of 14 ride tickets \$12

- 1 sheet of 30 ride tickets \$20

- single tickets \$1.00 each

Saturday LIVE MUSIC!!!



5PM Alter Ego Band

www.facebook.com/5rockers/

8PM Night Moves
Band

www.thenightmovesband.50megs.com

FREE ADMISSION
GREAT & Rides!!
FOOD & Crafts

Festival Sponsored by:



City of Lowell
Lowell Recreation Dept.
Lowell Women's Club

Rides provided by:
Brinkley Entertainment

CITY OF LOWELL NEWS & INFORMATION

April, May, & June, 2017



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR



Hello Everyone!!!

Spring is in the air! Don't you just love how everything is so fresh and new this time of year? It's like we have a new sense of *HOPE*! Back in February 2017, the City Council members, Kevin Krouse, Beverly Harris, and I, attended a day and a half retreat to draft a strategic vision plan for our city. Planning for our future is very important! We must set goals and work hard to achieve them, for without a plan or goals in place, we go nowhere and accomplish nothing. I am happy to say that we are all working together to the very best of our abilities to make Lowell an even better place to live, work, and raise our families. Thank you for supporting me as your Mayor! You are an AMAZING group of citizens and I am so thankful for the opportunity to serve you and our great city!



I hope to be around for many years to come to continue "*Building Today for a Brighter Tomorrow!*"

Your Mayor, *Sandy Railey*



LOWELL'S VISION STATEMENT

To be an inviting community where generations come together to live, work, and play.

A NOTE FROM THE POLICE CHIEF

The Lowell Police Department would like to recognize two officers in their recent promotions within the police department. **Carl Moore** was recently promoted to the rank of Captain. Captain Moore has been with the Lowell Police Department since March of 2000. **Tony Henderson** was recently promoted to the rank of Sergeant. Sergeant Henderson has been with the Lowell Police Department since May of 2002.

The Lowell Police Department would also like to welcome aboard our two newest officers, **Alex Moore**, and **Nathan Potter**. Both officers are excited about working for the City of Lowell and interacting with the citizens.

We have installed a new phone system. There are times that we have no one in the office to answer the phones. If citizens call the police department and no one answers, stay on the line for the recording. The recording will instruct citizens that if they have an emergency, hang up and dial 911. If the citizen has a non-emergency, hang up and dial (704) 866-3300 which will connect you to Gaston County Dispatch at which time they can have an officer respond to you. Please do not leave a voicemail at the police department as we may not be able to retrieve it in a timely manner.

We would also like to remind the citizens of Lowell to always keep their vehicle doors locked to prevent any Breaking & Entering's/Larcenies. Also, if citizens see anything suspicious in their neighborhoods such as people walking or vehicles that they don't recognize please call the police so we can respond to investigate.

We are excited about the changes within the department and we are looking forward to making this a better and safer place to live. Have a great day and be safe!

- *Chief Scott Bates*



Lowell Merchants Easter Crawl

Register to Win a Lowell Merchants Giant Easter Basket

Sponsored by the Lowell Merchants and their Supporters

2 Winners of Easter Baskets!

Spend \$10 or more at any participating Lowell business and register for a chance to win one of two giant Easter baskets filled with goodies and discounts from your Lowell Merchants and their supporters.

You may Register Once at Each Location Thursday, April 6 Thru Friday, April 14

Drawings will be Held Saturday, April 15th At 10:00 am At Pete's Corner Grocery



A NOTE FROM THE CITY MANAGER

The City of Lowell and Gaston County was awarded \$334,379 in grant funding from a joint CMAQ (Congestion Mitigation and Air Quality) application. CMAQ is federal funding that was awarded through a competitive grant process.

This grant will fund the extension of a sidewalk along Main Street/Lowell Spencer Mountain Road to complete the sidewalk to the entrance of Poston Park. The project will consist of 1,300 linear feet of standard curb and gutter with a five foot sidewalk. The project funding is for 2018-2019.

- Kevin Krouse

A NOTE FROM THE FIRE CHIEF

Smoke alarms are a key part of a home fire escape plan. When there is a fire, smoke spreads fast. Working smoke alarms give you early warning so you can get outside quickly.

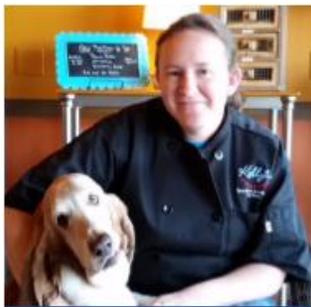
- Install smoke alarms inside and outside each bedroom and sleeping area. Install alarms on every level of the home. Even in the basement.
- Test all smoke alarms at least once a month.
- Replace all smoke alarms when they are 10 yrs old.

- Chief Scott Moore

NEW BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Kelly's K-9 Kitchen

117 First Street, Suite C,
Tues-Thurs 12pm-7pm & Fri-Sat 10am-8pm, 704-616-3760



What happens when a chemist who develops a hobby out of a simple passion for dogs and cats...turns that passion into a business?

It's not every day that a person opens up a true honest to goodness pet bakery but that's just what Kelly has done.

An animal lover since childhood, she began creating her recipes for all natural, healthy dog and cat treats about 7 years ago as a hobby, and to give as gifts to friends and family during the holidays.

After much enthusiasm and positive feed-back she began setting up canopies and booths at local street festivals, adoption events, and shows like the *Southern Christmas Show* and *A Taste of Charlotte*.

For about 7 years now she has done this and has been very successful and opened her pet bakery in Lowell, NC in July 2015.

When it comes to eating healthy, we believe it also goes for our 4-legged family members! We believe that dog and cat treats don't have to be made with all kinds of artificial stuff like colors and preservatives. Kelly's K-9 Kitchen provides all-natural, homemade dog and cat treats using the finest human-grade ingredients without any added chemicals, preservatives, dyes, or hormones. Stop by and see our treat selection...and don't forget to bring your fur-baby too! We are a pet-friendly business!

