



June 20, 2016

Weekly Report

Highlight of Departmental Activities

The Weekly Report showcases the activities and accomplishments of the many Departments within Rutherford County Government. Click on the directory lists, headings and text in blue to be linked to more information.

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Happy Father's Day

While **Father's Day** is not a federal holiday, there are a range of events which may have inspired the idea of Father's Day. One of these was the start of the Mother's Day tradition in the first decade of the 20th century. Another was a memorial service held in 1908 for a large group of men, many of them fathers, who were killed in a mining accident in Monongah, West Virginia. A woman called Sonora Smart Dodd was an influential figure in the establishment of Father's Day. Her father raised six children by himself after the death of their mother. This was uncommon at that time, as many widowers placed their children in the care of others or quickly married again. Sonora felt that her father deserved recognition for what he had done. The first time Father's Day was held was in June, 1910. Father's Day was officially recognized as a holiday in 1972 by President Nixon.

Any man can be a father, but it takes someone special to be a dad. Dads are teachers, providers, comedians (mostly amateur), leaders and then some. Whether he stayed at home or worked overtime, whether he's a firefighter or the president....there is a special spot in your heart reserved for the first man you loved and admired. Father's Day is an occasion to mark and celebrate the contribution that your own father has made to your life. I am so thankful for my dad. His love shows through his words, his face and his actions. He always treats my mom and his girls like queens. He's honest, spiritual, caring, and helpful. He always has a smile and a word of encouragement. Growing up, he told us often that he loved us. He pushed us to improve but parented out of love. Unselfish, wise, forgiving....must I go on! He is one of the greatest! Happy Father's Day!



Our thoughts and prayers are with those who have recently experienced the loss of a loved one.

Kim Aldridge, County Office

Airport

The Airport sold 450.0 gallons of Jet A to 3 aircraft and 1,073.7 gallons of 100LL to 44 aircraft last week.

PHOTO:

Tim with a 2011 Eclipse (EA500) jet on the at Rutherford County. The Eclipse is a small , six-passenger business jet that has a maximum cruise speed of 425 m.p.h.



County Manager and Commissioners

The following are several events and activities in which the County Manager, Commissioners and staff were involved over the last few days:

- Meetings with several County departments, including Planning and Projects, Economic Development, Airport and Finance.
- County Attorney meeting regarding various projects
- Tri-City Arts Vision for Future Economic and Arts Development Meeting
- Flag Day Celebration - **PHOTOS on page 3**
- IPDC Board meeting
- Facebook Tour
- Webinar - NCACC Manager's Weekly Legislative Update

Other activities, meetings, and events that took place this week: Lake Lure Town Council meeting and EDC Board meeting.

Chairman King and Vice Chairman Toney represented the Commissioners at the Flag Day Celebration. Other staff in attendance were County Manager Steve Garrison and Planning and Projects Director, Danny Searcy (**photos on page 3**).

The week continued with additional duties, consisting of numerous calls, interoffice meetings, conference calls, public relations, advising, preparation for various responsibilities and meeting with citizens.

SERVICE

Welcome	Alan Toney, Vice Chairman Rutherford County Board of Commissioners
Pledge of Allegiance	Danny Searcy
National Anthem	Miss Laney Hodge
Introduction of Speakers and Recognition of Guests	Chivous Bradley Rutherford County Historian
Remarks - Significance of Flag Day	Bronny Hamrick Woodmen Life
Remarks - Biggerstaff Site/ American Revolution Parks	Ranger Margo Blewett National Park Service
Remarks - Overmountain Victory Trail	Mr. R. G. Absher, President OVRTA



Today is Flag Day! On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing the national Flag Day on the anniversary of the adoption of the United States flag by the Continental Congress. The flag consists of thirteen horizontal stripes, seven red alternating with six white, and a blue canton with fifty small, white, five-pointed stars arranged in nine offset horizontal rows of six in the top row and five in the bottom row. The day commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States.

Photo: American Flag at Chimney Rock.

BRIEF HISTORY OF BIGGERSTAFF'S OLD FIELDS AND LONG FARMSTEAD



Inside pages of program

The subject property is believed to be part of Aaron Bickerstaff's (or Biggerstaff's) "Old Fields," where, on October 13th and 14th of 1780, following the Battle of Kings Mountain, Patriot troops under the command of Colonel Isaac Shelby encamped and where the trials and executions of nine loyalists occurred. Rutherford County acquired the 17-acre property in 2010 with the vision of developing the property into an educational center commemorating the Revolutionary War and the North Carolina patriots and Overmountain Men who were instrumental in the Patriot victory at Kings Mountain. In 2011, the County retained the firm of John Horton | Architect to assess the historic site along with several historic buildings, and to develop a Preservation Master Plan for the preservation and development of the property as a county educational and recreational site. Funding for the study was provided by a grant to the County through the Overmountain Victory National Historic Trail, a unit of the National Park Service.



Flag Day Celebration photos



Economic Development

This week, the Economic Development Department responded to an industrial RFI. Staff continues to be busy following up with multiple industrial recruitment and expansion prospects, communicating with the Department of Commerce and industry allies regarding various grant reports and requests, and working to increase our social media presence. This week's agenda also included attending the Annual NCEDA Conference

Fire Marshal/Emergency Management

Fire Marshal:

- attended monthly meeting with law enforcement department heads.
- assisted Forest City Fire/Rescue with a structure fire.
- provided new Assistant Fire Marshal Frankie Hamrick with a tour of fire station locations across the County.
- met with County Manager and other officials in regard to a training ground project.
- followed up on active investigations.

NC Emergency Management planner conducted a review of our local emergency operations plan.

STATEMENT BY SECRETARY JOHNSON ON THE NEW NTAS BULLETIN

PRESS RELEASE

June 15, 2016

Contact: DHS Press Office, 202-282-8010

In December 2015, I announced the revision of the Department of Homeland Security's National Terrorism Advisory System, or "NTAS," to include an intermediate level NTAS "Bulletin." We then issued a new NTAS Bulletin at the same time. The duration of the December Bulletin was six months, and expires tomorrow.

The Department of Homeland Security is today issuing a new NTAS Bulletin. This Bulletin reflects the tragic events of Orlando several days ago. Here is what is stated in the new Bulletin's summary:

"In December, we described a new phase in the global threat environment, which has implications on the homeland. This basic assessment has not changed. In this environment, we are particularly concerned about homegrown violent extremists who could strike with little or no notice. The tragic events of Orlando several days ago reinforce this. Accordingly, increased public vigilance and awareness continue to be of utmost importance."

This NTAS Bulletin goes on to describe the government's counterterrorism efforts, and how the public can help and be prepared in the current environment. This includes an advisory to "[b]e prepared for increased security and plan ahead to anticipate delays and restricted/prohibited items." This new Bulletin has a duration of five months, and will expire in mid-November, just before the start of the holiday season.

The full weight of the U.S. government – including our military, intelligence, law enforcement and homeland security communities, along with our partners in state and local law enforcement – is currently dedicated to detecting and defeating terrorism and protecting the homeland. This is our number one priority. In this current threat environment, which includes the prospect of homegrown violent extremism, the public has a role to play too. Public vigilance and awareness can and do make a difference. The NTAS Bulletin we release today is intended to contribute to an informed public, and promote public vigilance and awareness.

To read the new NTAS Bulletin, click <https://www.dhs.gov/national-terrorism-advisory-system>.

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National Terrorism Advisory System

Bulletin

www.dhs.gov/advisories

DATE AND TIME ISSUED: 06/15/2016 2:00 P.M. ET

SUMMARY

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DURATION

This Bulletin will expire on
November 15, 2016
at 11:59 p.m.

ADDITIONAL DETAILS

- Since issuing the first Bulletin in December, our concerns that violent extremists could be inspired to conduct attacks inside the U.S. have not diminished.
- Though we know of no intelligence that is both specific and credible at this time of a plot by terrorist organizations to attack the homeland, the reality is terrorist-inspired individuals have conducted, or attempted to conduct, attacks in the United States.
- DHS is especially concerned that terrorist-inspired individuals and homegrown violent extremists may be encouraged or inspired to target public events or places.
- As we saw in the attacks in San Bernardino, Paris, Brussels, and, most recently, Orlando, terrorists will consider a diverse and wide selection of targets for attacks.
- Terrorist use of the Internet to inspire individuals to violence or join their ranks remains a major source of concern.
- In the current environment, DHS is also concerned about threats and violence directed at particular communities and individuals across the country, based on perceived religion, ethnicity, nationality or sexual orientation.

U.S. GOVERNMENT COUNTERTERRORISM EFFORTS

- DHS and the FBI continue to provide guidance to state and local partners on increased security measures. The public may observe an increased law enforcement and security presence across communities, in public places and at events in the months ahead. This may include additional restrictions and searches on bags, more K-9 teams, and the use of screening technologies.
- The FBI is investigating potential terrorism-related activities associated with this broad threat throughout the United States. Federal, state, and local authorities are coordinating numerous law enforcement actions and conducting community outreach to address this evolving threat.

TYPES OF ADVISORIES

Bulletin

Describes current developments or general trends regarding threats of terrorism.

Elevated Alert

Warns of a credible terrorism threat against the United States.

Imminent Alert

Warns of a credible, specific and impending terrorism threat against the United States.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Report suspicious activity to local law enforcement or public safety officials who are best positioned to respond and offer specific details on terroristic indicators.
- Suspicious activity or information about a threat may also be reported to [Fusion Centers](#) and the [FBI's Field Offices](#) - part of the Nationwide Suspicious Activity Reporting Initiative.
- Learn [how to recognize signs of pre-operational planning](#) associated with terrorism or other criminal activity.

BE PREPARED

- Be prepared for increased security and plan ahead to anticipate delays and restricted/prohibited items.
- In populated places, be responsible for your personal safety. Make a mental note of emergency exits and locations of the nearest security personnel. Keep cell phones in your pockets instead of bags or on tables so you don't lose them during an incident. Carry emergency contact details and any special needs information with you at all times. For more visit [Ready](#).

STAY INFORMED

- The U.S. Government will provide additional information about any emerging threat as additional information is identified. The public is encouraged to listen to local law enforcement and public safety officials.
- We urge Americans to continue to travel, attend public events, and freely associate with others but remain vigilant and aware of surroundings.
- The Department of State issues [international travel alerts and warnings](#).

If You See Something, Say Something™. Report suspicious activity to local law enforcement or call 911.

The National Terrorism Advisory System provides information on homeland security issues and threats. It is distributed by the Department of Homeland Security. More information is available at: www.dhs.gov/advisories. To receive mobile updates: www.twitter.com/dhsgov

If You See Something, Say Something™ used with permission of the NY Metropolitan Transportation Authority.

Human Resources

The HR Director held meetings to discuss personnel issues, exit interviews, and retirements. Interviews were conducted for the TDA Director. The Director and HR Specialist along with Summer Intern Alan Toney attended a Business Engagement meeting hosted by Duke Life Point. The Director will attend a mock shooter exercise at DSS on Friday. Employment opportunities are DSS Custodian. Apply at www.rutherfordcountync.gov.

Information Technology

Traffic Summary - BarracudaSF.rutherfordcountync.gov [172.16.10.29]

From 2016-06-06 00:00:00
To 2016-06-12 23:59:00

Inbound Traffic

Day	Rate Controlled	Blocked: Bad Recipient	Blocked: Spam	Blocked: Virus	Quarantined	Allowed: Tagged	Allowed	Total Received
2016-06-06	0	117	650	6	27	64	2944	3808
2016-06-07	8	87	653	7	20	11	3586	4372
2016-06-08	69	85	750	11	38	4	3241	4198
2016-06-09	6689	113	681	3	64	5	3189	10744
2016-06-10	219	91	766	21	17	2	3173	4289
2016-06-11	0	43	823	2	14	2	969	1853
2016-06-12	0	233	730	5	6	2	871	1847
Total	6985	769	5053	55	186	90	17973	31111

Outbound Traffic

Day	Rate Controlled	Blocked: Policy	Blocked: Spam	Blocked: Virus	Quarantined	Sent	Encrypted	Redirected	Authentication Failure	Total Received
2016-06-06	294	0	0	0	0	1360	5	0	1463	3122
2016-06-07	337	0	3	0	0	1431	9	0	920	2700
2016-06-08	954	0	3	0	0	1787	4	0	572	3320
2016-06-09	693	0	0	0	0	1493	11	0	1164	3361
2016-06-10	65	0	3	0	0	891	5	0	1115	2079
2016-06-11	208	0	32	0	0	478	0	0	820	1536
2016-06-12	177	0	3	0	0	524	0	0	1168	1872
Total	2726	0	44	0	0	7964	34	0	7222	17990



PHOTOS: Unloading the new 'whole building' UPS (Uninterruptible Power Supply) back up power for 911 Communications and Information Technology Departments.

Left to right: IT Director Jai Doherty, Assistant Director Peter Gaulin, and Communications Assistant Director Roman Scruggs.



Library

Mountains Branch Library - Angie Turner completed her online course, “Serving People with Mental Illness at Your Library”, and received her certificate. She discovered several new practices for facing this challenge.

Joy Sharp planned and promoted several new programs for the weeks ahead. “What Can Be Bad About Being Too Good” is a presentation and workshop about striving for excellence without becoming a victim of perfectionism. This program will be held Thursday, June 23rd at 3:00 p.m. at the Mountains Library Community Room.

Mountains registered lots of kids and adults for the Summer Reading Programs and continued to enroll in 1000 Books Before Kindergarten

Nicole Morse – We are one week out for the Summer Reading Program Field Day!!! Don’t forget to come to Crestview Park on Tuesday, June 21, 2016 1:00 – 4:00 for summertime FUN!!

Nicole has been busy finalizing Summer Reading, putting together registration packets, and registering children for the program. She has also confirmed all our entertainers for the summer and we look forward to having a blast with the children!

Maria Davis – Maria has been busy putting together registration packets for the Adult Summer Reading Program, registering adults, and looking for prizes for the first ever Adult Program. Please come by Haynes, Mountains, or County if you would like to sign up. Many thanks to Jill Miracle at RHI Legacy for providing pedometers for our program. (**April Young and Jill Miracle pictured right.**)

Friday, June 17, 2016 we have an Adult Coloring Session 9:00 – 5:00 at County Library. All materials are provided. Come by during your lunch and relax and color just a bit.

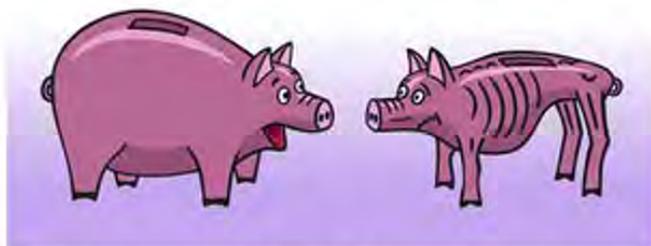
Bob Covert, author of *A Slide on the Bus And 24 Other Wacky Short Takes*, will be at Haynes Branch on June 23, 2016 at 1:00 and at County Library at 3:00 to read from his newest book. Come on out to hear Bob go over his wacky short stories.

Skip Watson from College Foundation of North Carolina will be coming to County Library June 28, 2016 at 6:00 pm to talk with ADULTS about starting college for the first time or about going back to finish what you previously started. Skip will work with us on how to research colleges as well as access financial aid from many different sources. This is NOT a program for current high school students, but a program for ADULTS.

April Young – April has been busy processing books for Haynes, Mountains, and County Libraries. She has ordered books that patrons have requested as well as literature she believes our general population



Does your college fund piggy bank look like this?



ADULTS—Are **you** thinking about going to college for the first time?

Or maybe finishing what **you started** earlier in life? Then this is the seminar for **YOU!!**

Skip Watts from College Foundation will be coming to Rutherford County Library to talk with **ADULTS** on Financial Aid and College Selection.

Skip will give us pointers on how to research college and universities across the state and access each school's application for admission.

Skip will also have discussion about how to pay for **ADULTS** going to college by discussing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA), and the opportunities that can arise as a result. He will enlighten us on Pell Grants, Education Lottery Scholarships, and Stafford Loans.

When: June 28, 2016
6:00 p.m.

Where: Rutherford County Library
255 Callahan Koon Rd.
Spindale, NC
828-287-6118

Who: **ADULTS** who are interested in going to college





Registration for Adult Summer Reading Program: June 14-28, 2016

Rutherford County Libraries

Date: 06/21/16—08/09/16

Adult Summer Reading Program

Rutherford County Library System is hosting its First Annual Adult Summer Reading Program!!

Think you don't have time to read all summer? Well, think again! This Summer Reading Program is new and exciting and you can spend as much (or as little) time as you would like in the program.

Use our Challenge Card to help you step out of your reading comfort zone and maybe get a little healthier while you are at it. Read different genres of books, exercise, attend a program and receive raffle tickets for prizes.

Grand Prize: Kindle Fire 8GB with protective case
 Other Prizes: Gift card to Quiznos, Don Ramons, 30 minute massage from A New Beginning Massage and Bodywork Therapy, T-shirts and hats from Mt. Olive Pickle Company.

Call your library for more information:

<p>County Library 828-287-6115</p>	<p>Haynes Branch 828-288-4039</p>
<p>Mountains Branch 828-287-6392</p>	

Book Signing



Bob Covert will visit all three Rutherford County Libraries to read from his newest book, *A Slide on the Bus and 24 Other Short Stories*. Books will be available for purchase and Bob will gladly sign autographs.

<p style="text-align: center;">June 23, 2016 Haynes Branch Library 1:00 p.m.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">June 23, 2016 Rutherford County Library 3:00 p.m.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">July 20, 2016 Lake Lure Inn (Mountains Branch Library) 12:00 p.m.</p>	

About the Author

Bob Covert enjoyed a career spanning forty years in Education. He received his undergraduate degree from Indiana University of PA and his Masters of Education from Duquesne University. Bob taught music on every level from Kindergarten through twelfth grade in both instrumental and vocal music. He conducted first place winning high school bands at Johnsonburg and DuBois, PA.

Retired from public education, Bob continued to teach, offering health and fitness classes. He was a working partner in the Punksutawney Health and Fitness Center.

After moving to North Carolina, he taught English as a Second Language at Charlotte's International House. His short story, "A Room of Her Own" won First Place in the Silver Arts Contest through Rutherford County Senior Center, NC.

Bob has written articles for the Marching Musician, Mountain Breeze and Charlotte Observer and St. Joseph Press. He is a voracious reader of fiction, scientific and historical literature. Bob's hobbies are photography, hiking, swimming and kayaking.

Summer Reading Program Field Day

June 21, 2016
1:00-4:00

You may register your child for Summer Reading Program (During Field Day) for County Library, Haynes Branch, and/or Mountains Branch.



Brought to you by Rutherford County Library and Town of Rutherfordton

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inflatables • Zumba Party (Changing Lives Fitness) • Character Parade Come dressed in your favorite costume (Norris Public Library) • Bubble Fun (Mooneyham Public Library) • Photo Booth (Mountains Branch Library) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Firetruck • Ambulance • Host -n- Annie (Forest City Owls) • Homerun Derby (Forest City Owls) • Hula Hoop Fun (Spindale Public Library)
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2016 SUMMER LIBRARY PROGRAM

Please contact Nicole Morse at 828-287-6116 for more information.




Haynes Branch Library STEM MakerCamp

All Events to begin at 10:30 in the Community Room at Haynes Branch Library
828-288-4039

<p>Greatest Hits Science Experiments Saturday, June 25, 2016</p> <p>A Walk in the Woods: A World of Snakes Saturday, July 9, 2016</p> <p>Mad Science—Rocket Science Saturday, July 16, 2016</p> <p>Bricks4Kidz—Lego Engineering Saturday, July 23, 2016</p> <p>CHEM-MESS-TRY Morehead Planetarium and Science Center Saturday, July 30, 2016</p>	<p>The BIGGEST, the COOLEST, and the most EXCITING science experiments available.</p> <p>This program teaches the benefits of snakes and their importance to human lives. Topics include anatomy, diet, identification, feeding techniques, camouflage patterns, behaviors, etc. LIVE snakes will be brought into the Library and you will be able to see and touch them! Participants will be able to see and touch a REAL 10ft. African Rock Python snake skin!!</p> <p>This workshop is a BLAST!!! Aspiring rocket scientists will master the dynamics of rocket flight. Afterward, they'll be cleared for take-off and take part in a real model rocket launch!</p> <p>In this program, we will explore architecture, engineering, and technology concepts using Lego bricks.</p> <p>We will make "elephant toothpaste" to demonstrate an exothermic catalytic reaction, turn two liquids into a solid and learn about the power of polymers, and practice chromatography by making a colorful "butterfly." We will also solve a mystery using simple chemistry.</p>
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Maker Kits will be available for checkout at the front desk. These Maker Kits will be a great way to bring the event home with you and continue the STEM experience.

Programs are geared towards 8-12 year olds, but anyone under 18 is welcome to attend. All participants must have parent / guardian over the age of 16 with them. No registration is required.

The Haynes Branch Library STEM MakerCamp is made possible by funding from Duke Energy.

Revenue Department

Customer Service	Totals
Phone Calls	475
Info/Data Requests	4
Website Hits	653
County Growth Indicators	
Building Permits Reviewed	53
Deeds Recorded	6
Collections Progress	
Deeds Certified/Prior Year Taxes	51
Total Taxes Collected	\$103,901.37
Collected Prepayments	\$12,086.09

The Revenue Department is working extremely hard on the final listing processes for the 2016 billing. Bill will be out in a few weeks. The Collections are still working on the outstanding 2015 bills.

Senior Center

The Senior Center hosted the monthly blood pressure clinic on Monday. Representatives from Carolina Home Care conducted the Senior Center's monthly blood pressure checks. Forty clients took advantage of this service. In recognition of Flag Day, the seniors baked patriotic cookies and wore red, white and blue on Tuesday. Several seniors went to Hamrick's shopping on Tuesday afternoon and then stopped for ice cream. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day was on Wednesday, June 15th. **PHOTOS on page 12.** Rutherford County Department of Social Services and Rutherford County Senior Center sponsored a special program for the Rutherford County Elder Abuse Awareness Day Initiative. There were informational booths with numerous vendors and special speakers, Mr. Chris Francis, Sheriff of Rutherford County and Ms. Becky Brodar, RN, Community Outreach Coordinator, St. Luke's Hospital. This special event ended with a sing-a-long and door prizes. The Center provided a trip to the jewelry sale at Rutherford Regional on Wednesday afternoon. The seniors also enjoyed craft time on Thursday morning making a bird house magnet. Lastly, on Friday evening the Senior Center will host a dance at 6:00 p.m. with live music from the Rusty & Chiquita Collins Band. Cost is \$5.00.

Upcoming:

Zumba at 6:00 p.m. June 27

Dance at 6:00 p.m. June 17 Cost is \$5 Live music with Rusty & Chiquita Collins Band

Senior Center Director, **Angela Ezell (pictured left)**, graduated from the Ann Johnson Institute for Senior Center Management on April 28, 2016. This is a three-year certificate management training program, initiated by the North Carolina Division of Aging and Adult Services, designed for senior center managers and leaders.

The objective of the program is to support senior center personnel by providing a means to increase management skills, upgrade credentials, and enhance the senior center management profession.

The UNC-Chapel Hill School of Social Work's Center for Aging Research and Educational Services (CARES) assists the Division of Aging and Adult Services in developing, facilitating, and evaluating the training for this program.

Congratulations, Angela.



Elder Abuse Awareness Day



Sheriff's Department

Sheriff's May 2016 Report	
Calls for Service	5,120
Warrants Served/Total Arrest	185/156
Domestic Calls	186
Involuntary Commitments/Hours	44/61.0 Man Hrs.
Civil Papers Served	266
Ex parte Served	35
Evictions	22
Animals Pickup/Surrender	105
Animals Returned to Owners or Rescued	97
Animal Control Calls for Service	430
New Cases Assigned to Detectives/Road Patrol	138/9
Pill Drop Collections	9,007 Doses Units/10,089.2,ml Liquids
Average Daily Inmate Confinement	189
Gun Purchase Permits Issued	57
Carry Concealed Permits Issued	130
Project Lifesaver Clients/Contact Hours	3/2.0 Man Hrs.
Registered Sex Offenders/Contact Hours	182/10.0 Man Hrs.
Litter Control Calls/Cases Assigned/Closed	15/14/0

911 Communications

Rutherford County Sheriff's Office 911 Communications

Text-to-911 is now available in Rutherford County

Always call if you can-ONLY TEXT IF YOU CAN'T

Currently available from the following Carriers...



**AT&T
Sprint
T-Mobile
Verizon**



NEVER TEXT AND DRIVE

How to text 9-1-1 in an emergency:

- Enter the numbers "9-1-1" in the "To" field;
- The first text message to 9-1-1 should be brief and contain the location of the emergency and type of help needed;
- Push the "Send" button.
- Be prepared to answer questions and follow instructions from the 9-1-1 call taker.
- Text in simple words - do not use abbreviations.
- Keep text messages brief and concise.

Below are few things to know if you need to text 9-1-1:

- Text location information is not equal to current location technology.
- As with all text messages, 9-1-1 messages can take longer to receive, can get out of order or may not be received.
- Text-to-9-1-1 is not available if you are roaming.
- A text or data plan is required to place a text-9-1-1
- If texting to 9-1-1 is not available in your area, or is temporarily unavailable, you will receive a message indicating that texting 9-1-1 is not available and to contact 9-1-1 by other means.
- Photos and videos cannot be sent to 9-1-1 at this time.
- Text-to-9-1-1 cannot include more than one person. Do not send your emergency text to anyone other than 9-1-1.

Soil & Water

The Admin/Education Specialist:

- completed and submitted the OELC Quarterly Report.
- worked on Farmland Preservation Ordinance changes.
- worked on End of Year reporting and training registrations.

The Ag. Cost Share Technician:

- met with landowners about Cost Share program.
- meeting with ICC about summer intern.
- worked on watershed project.

Solid Waste

Customers served 354

Loads hauled from convenience centers 66

Loads shipped to Lenoir 36

Recycling loads shipped to Conover 2

Tire customers 45

The director stayed busy this week working on current budget and attending several meetings. We have received our grant checks from the state in the amount of 50,000 dollars. This money was used to install recycling compactors at two of our convenience sites. The office staff continue to help customers while running reports. The Solid Waste department has submitted a grant to the state to construct a building that will be used for mercury recycling. This building will help with the recycling of fluorescent tubes that contain mercury. The transfer station staff has been busy this week processing all the MSW and recycling tonnages that are coming in. The C&D staff stay active with the tonnages that are coming in while hauling dirt for cover. The shop staff has been extremely busy this week as we have had issues with two of our trucks. Shop staff continue to perform preventative maintenance on the equipment and the routine servicing. The airport staff are diligently engaged in grass cutting, weed eating and bush hogging at the airport. The Solid Waste staff would like to welcome Jeremy Keever to our staff. He will begin July 5th.

Please continue to recycle.



Transportation Services

Emergency Medical Services:

As part of the department's physical fitness program, the management team did a 7 minute workout at the start of our monthly staff meeting (pictures attached). Going forward, employees will do the 7 minute workout twice per shift (morning and evening) in order to stay stretched in order to proactively avoid injuries when possible. The App Store has several free 7 minute workouts that anyone can select. Staff also conducted Field Training Officer interviews for three open positions. These positions will be filled starting in the July pay period.

TYPE	CURRENT WEEK
Emergency Calls	189
Convalescent Calls	30

Transit Department:

Transportation Director attended the annual NC Public Transportation Association Conference and enjoyed hearing US Secretary of Transportation, Anthony Foxx as he spoke to many of the NC transit directors and staff (picture attached). NCDOT also released economic impact data on each county in the state. Rutherford County Transit's impact is attached. Office Coordinator attended the Elder Abuse & Awareness Day held at the Senior Center on Wednesday. This event was hosted by DSS to help bring awareness of elder abuse to the Rutherford County community and to educate and empower senior members of our county with the knowledge and tools they need to feel secure in an ever changing world. Staff also attended a webinar on new updates and features for CTS software.

TYPE	CURRENT WEEK	WEEKLY AVG
Total Miles	9,732	9,973
# of Local Trips	1,075	1,194
# of Out of County Trips	73	86
# Unduplicated Passengers	221	247
Total Revenue	\$16,001	\$17,653



**EMS Administrative Staff
implementing a seven minute
work out before each staff meeting.**



**EMS is making fitness a priority
throughout the entire department.**

BENEFITS OF TRANSIT PROVIDED BY Rutherford County

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\$2.6 million
STATEWIDE BUSINESS OUTPUT

Expenditure-related economic contribution refers to statewide economic effects supported by the capital and operational expenditures of North Carolina's transit systems.

Source: TREDIS (Transportation Economic Development Impact System)

\$785,000
ANNUAL BENEFIT OF HAVING A TRANSIT OPTION
IN NC COMMUNITIES

Transportation cost savings — using transit instead of other modes
Affordable mobility options — benefit from having transit services available

Source: SURTC/CUTR (Small Urban and Rural Transit Center) (Center for Urban Transportation Research)

- PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION PROVIDES**
- Economic benefits to communities
 - Health benefits
 - Access to work, education, training, medical transportation, shopping and tourism
- REDUCES**
- Individual transportation costs
 - Congestion and delays
 - Road construction and maintenance

TRANSIT FUNDING

Every \$1 the state of North Carolina invests in transit generates approximately \$7 of total investment in North Carolina from federal, state and local sources.

Source: OpStats

More than **27 JOBS** are supported by transit system operations and capital investments which results in **\$1.02 million** in wages

Source: TREDIS



Source: Economic Benefits of Transit research conducted for NCDOT/PTD by the Institute for Transportation Research and Education at North Carolina State University. April 2016.

Veteran Services

Mail In	120
Mail Out	181
Fax	125
Phone Calls In/Out	65
Veteran Contacts	195

Drawing for the Charlie Daniels tickets will be on Friday, June 17th at Veteran Services.

The Charlie Daniels Band

June 25, 2016

7:30 p.m. at McNair Field





County News

**FREEDOM
FEST**

FREE COMMUNITY EVENT
JULY 4th AT MCNAIR STADIUM
10:00AM - 3:00PM

**CONTESTS, GAMES
WALKING PARADE, AND MUSIC**

**HOMERUN DERBY, BASEBALL GAME
AND FIREWORKS AFTER THE GAME**
*WITH PAID ADMISSION

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL
828.247.4430**



The luminary service will be held on Friday, June 24th in downtown Forest City in conjunction with their 4th on Main event. There will be signs to direct you to a side street where the luminary service will be held (either Depot St or Mill St).



A Gift To Honor Or In Memory Of Someone Special

June 24th - Forest City
Off Main Street near Mill St. or Depot St.
(watch for signs)

We are selling Luminaries (candles in paper bags with sand). The Luminaries will be lit in memory and in honor of loved ones who have had cancer affect their lives in a lighting ceremony at dark.

We want to give everyone an opportunity to pay tribute to their loved ones and help fight the disease that claims so many lives.

With your donation, the name of the individual that you have designated will appear on the luminary to be lit on Friday evening, June 24th.

If you would like to participate in this special candle lighting ceremony, simply return the form below. Please note that the proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's continuing programs of research, education, advocacy and service.

RELAY FOR LIFE OF RUTHERFORD COUNTY LUMINARIA FORM

PLEASE PRINT NAMES CLEARLY

Given By: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Telephone: (____) _____

Email: _____ @ _____ . _____

Memory Of: _____ By: _____

Memory Of: _____ By: _____

Memory Of: _____ By: _____

Honor Of: _____ By: _____

Honor Of: _____ By: _____

Honor Of: _____ By: _____

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

(SUGGESTED MINIMUM DONATION IS \$ 10.00 PER CANDLE)

Check made payable to: American Cancer Society

Vote for Rutherford County McNair Field - Best of the Ballparks

Our very own McNair Field has reached the Sweet 16 in Baseball Digest's Best of the Ballparks 2016 Summer Collegiate contest.

You can go to the following website to vote: <http://ballparkdigest.com/2016/06/13/best-of-the-ballparks-2016-summer-collegiate-second-round/>

Voting ends Friday, June 17, at 10 p.m. Central.

Spread the word and help us reach #1!





Saturday, June 25th:

- **ROC Group River Float on the Broad River.** We will be floating section 5: Grays Road to Coxe Road. Meet at 520 Grays Road at 10 am to drop off boats. Bring a lunch and some water. We will stop a few times to swim.

Email us at trails@rutherfordoutdoor.org or call (828) 625-9983 ext. 505 if you would like to sign up for any of the ROC workdays, clean-ups, or group hikes.

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