




Volume 13—Issue 4 The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter April 2024

**Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions**

- ◆ Approved a Request to Display American Flags along the Richardson Greenway for the “Walk of Heroes”
  - ◆ Set Date of April 8th at 8:00am for a Budget Workshop
  - ◆ Approved High-Density Watershed Permit for “The Doryian” a Senior Apartment Project to be located on the Southwest Corner of Talley and Lytton Streets
  - ◆ Approved Fee In Lieu of Sidewalk requested by Urban Design Partners on Behalf of Shinn Farms for a Portion of Sidewalk along Weathers Creek Road
  - ◆ Approved Town Policy #65 Titled: “Town of Troutman Planning Board New Member Training”
  - ◆ Approved a Water Tank Maintenance Contract with Southern Corrosion
  - ◆ Approved to Amend Policy #56 Titled: “Remote Participation Policy for Meetings of the Troutman Town Council”
  - ◆ Approved an Agreement for a Position to Purge Records
  - ◆ Approved Annexation Request AX-24-03 (Contiguous), Applicant: Salih Boysan, 4.1 (+/-) acres; PIN 4731939064, 4731927704, located at 398 Hemi Drive
  - ◆ Approved Rezoning Request RZ-24-03, Applicant: Salih Boysan; 4.1 (+/-) acres; PIN: 4731939064, 4731927704; located at 398 Hemi Drive, on the east side of Rumble Street, from Town of Troutman Suburban Residential (RS) to Town of Troutman Town Residential (RT)
  - ◆ Approved Text Amendment TA-24-01: Amend Article 5.3.2 Parking Provisions of the Troutman UDO, Moving Section (K) to the Newly Created 5.3.3 Maintenance
  - ◆ Approved Appointment of George Harris to the Design Review Board for a 3-Year Term
- Recognitions:**
- ◆ Recognition of CR Onsrud in Receiving the North Carolina Chamber Award

**Town Council**

**Mayor:**  
Teross W. Young, Jr.



**Councilmembers:**  
Jerry R. Oxsher - *Mayor Pro Tem*  
Felina L. Harris  
Nicholas D. Jaroszynski  
Edward R. Nau  
W. Paul Henkel

*Troutman is governed by a Mayor and a five member Town Council. All elected positions are non-partisan. The Town Council has regularly scheduled meetings on the second Thursday of each month at Town Hall. All meetings are open to the public.*

**Contact Us:**

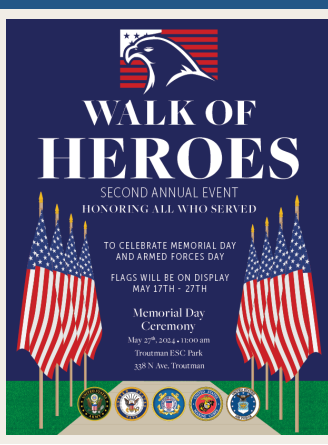
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**2nd Annual Walk of Heroes**



Walk of Heroes 2nd Annual Event will take place from May 17th-27th, as flags are displayed along the greenway. A ceremony will conclude the event on Memorial Day, May 27th at 11am at the Troutman ESC Park. Flags may be purchased in honor or in memory of a loved one by visiting the Walk of Heroes Facebook page or emailing us at TroutmanWalkofHeroes@gmail.com!

Flags will be available for purchase at the Spring Craft Expo on April 6th, 9am-3pm at South Iredell High

**APRIL 2024**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <b>Limb Collection</b>	2 <b>Limb Collection</b> Paper Crafting, 6-8pm, Troutman Parks & Rec	3 Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Endlave at Falls Cove	4 <b>Design Review Board Meeting - 3:30 - 4:30 pm</b> Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk	5 Sprint into Spring Packet Pickup 12-7pm Parks & Rec Office 334 North Ave	6 Spring Craft Expo, 9a-3p, SHS Gyms Beginner Knitting, 10-12p Troutman Parks & Rec 334 North Ave
7	8 <b>Agenda Briefing 4:00 - 6:00 pm</b>	9 Paper Crafting, 6-8pm, Troutman Parks & Rec Blue Recycling Day only for Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge, Colonial Crossing & Smith Village	10 Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Endlave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	11 <b>Town Board Meeting 7:00 - 10:00 pm</b>	12	13 Beginner Knitting, 10-12p Troutman Parks & Rec 334 North Ave
14	15	16 Paper Crafting, 6-8pm, Troutman Parks & Rec Green Recycling Day for Sutter's Mill, Brookside, Westmoreland Estates & if your trash is picked up on Tuesday	17 Green Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Calvin Creek & Endlave at Falls Cove	18 <b>Board of Adjustment 3:00 - 5:00 pm</b> Green Recycling Day for Norwood Walk	19	20 Beginner Knitting, 10-12p Troutman Parks & Rec 334 North Ave
21	22 Earth Day Clean Up, 5-8pm, Town Hall <b>Planning &amp; Zoning Board 6:00 - 8:00 pm</b>	23 Paper Crafting, 6-8pm, Troutman Parks & Rec Blue Recycling Day only for Weathers Creek, Sanders Ridge, Colonial Crossing & Smith Village	24 Blue Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thur. except Parkwood, Falls Park, Twin Coves, Falls Cove at Lake Norman, Endlave at Falls Cove & Redwood Apartments)	25	26	27 Beginner Knitting, 10-12p, Troutman Parks & Rec, 334 North Ave Refuge Church of Christ Food Pantry, 11:30am - 1 pm 133 Elder Ln, Troutman NC
28	29	30 Paper Crafting, 6-8pm, Troutman Parks & Rec	<p><b>All meetings conducted at Town Hall— Public encouraged to attend in order to stay informed and engaged with Town matters.</b></p>			

# Troutman Parks & Rec: Upcoming Events

**EARTH DAY**  
in Troutman

MONDAY, APRIL 22, 2024  
5-8PM COMMUNITY CLEAN UP

You are invited to join in a community effort to make our neck of the woods a little cleaner and healthier. Meet @ Troutman Town Hall to divide & conquer together!

PLEASE RSVP @ WWW.TROUTMANNC.GOV  
MORE INFO: AWARD@TROUTMANNC.GOV

**Earth Day in Troutman, April 22nd, 5-8pm, Troutman Town Hall**

Join us in making a community effort to make our neck of the woods a little cleaner and healthier. Groups are welcome!



Please RSVP online if you are coming!

COMMUNITY CPR & First Aid Training

Learn lifesaving skills and get certified! Class size limited to 10. Open to 16 years old & up

SATURDAY, MAY 4TH 9AM-3PM

Sign up online today to secure your spot!

Cost is \$70. Limited to 10 people, 16 years +

**Community CPR/First Aid Training, May 4th, 9am-3pm, 334 North Ave.**

Planning to lifeguard this summer? Need a refresher course for CPR/First Aid? Certification will be given at the completion of the class.



Cost is \$70. Limited to 10 people, 16 years +

**SOFTBALL CAMP**

May 11th 9am-3pm  
Troutman ESC Park  
Grades 1st-6th

PIZZA LUNCH PROVIDED

Led by TMS & Comets Coach Saunders and Team

**Youth Softball Camp, May 11th, 9am-3pm, Troutman ESC Park**

Calling all beginner, intermediates, or even experienced softball players!

Open to youth grades 1st-6th for \$50 per child, pizza lunch provided.



Camp led by TMS & Comets Coach Saunders & Team

IN CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

Join friends & neighbors for a community bike ride on Sat, 5/11 from 10am-12pm. We will take a ride through town, discuss bike safety and minor bike repairs, and end with a Q&A. All ages and levels are welcome. Please sign up online to let us know you are coming!

SATURDAY, MAY 11 @ 10AM  
TROUTMAN ESC PARK

**Community Bike Ride, May 11th, 10am-2pm, Troutman ESC Park**

All ages and levels of bike riders are welcome to join us.

We will go for a ride through town, and have a bike safety and minor repairs discussion.

Bike ride will be led by Andrew Ventresca

Please RSVP online.



**RED and BLUE 5K**

\$30 T-Shirt & Medal

May 18th @ 6pm  
Downtown Depot

REGISTER ONLINE: WWW.RUNSIGNUP.COM

**Red & Blue 5k, May 18th at 6pm, Troutman Downtown Depot**

\$30 includes t-shirt and medal...

Guaranteed t-shirt deadline is May 1st

Race Day Registration: 4:30pm

Register @ [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com)

Proceeds of race donated to First Responders Children's Foundation & Firefighters' Burned Children's Fund

COME OUT TO SHOP 130+ VENDORS!!

TROUTMAN

**SPRING CRAFT EXPO**

April 6, 2024, 9am-3pm  
South Iredell High School  
299 Old Mountain Rd, Statesville

crafts, jewelry, housewares, local art & baked goods, clothing and more!

FOOD TRUCKS WILL BE ON SITE: WAFFLE CHICK, EGGROLL COMPANY, LANDCRUISERS LOCAL SHOP & CAFE, AND SNACKEDY SNACK Y'ALL COME BACK

## Save the Date

Town of Troutman

**INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE**

Saturday, June 29th @ 11am  
Main St./US Hwy 21

Applications are available online @ [www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov)

Email [award@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:award@troutmannnc.gov) with questions

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3RD

**TROUTMAN FIREWORKS CELEBRATION**

GATES OPEN @ 6:30PM,  
FIREWORKS APPROX. 9:30PM

IREDELL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS • FREE ENTRY  
FOOD TRUCKS • MUSIC • BOUNCE HOUSES • & MORE!

**Troutman Independence Day Parade:** June 29th @ 11am—Registration is available online @ [www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov)—Sign up today!

**Troutman Independence Day Festival & Fireworks:** July 3rd—gates open @ 6:30pm, fireworks around 9:30pm—Iredell County Fairgrounds

## Employee Recognitions



Andrew Ventresca, Associate Planner, was recognized as Employee of the Month for February. His contributions to our town include

multiple grant submissions and awards, excellent service in the planning department, and he works diligently for the betterment of our community. Thank you Andrew for all you do for the Town of Troutman!

## Community Events



**Rotary Club of Troutman—Miles for Matt- 4/20 @ 9am**

Entry Fee: \$30/person  
Troutman Town Hall

Register online @ [www.runsignup.com](http://www.runsignup.com)

**ROCKIN' FOR A REASON**

Charity Concert Benefiting Child Abuse Prevention PHAROS

Thursday, April 11th 6pm

Enjoy an evening filled with great music, food trucks, raffles, & more! All proceeds support local Child Abuse Prevention efforts of Pharos Parenting, a 501c3.

CHICKADEE HILL  
181 E Monbo Rd, Statesville, NC

**Rockin' For A Reason— 4/11 @ 6pm at Chickadee Hill Farms**

More info & tickets: <https://pharosparenting.org>

The Troutman Ruritan Club is having a chicken plate fundraiser dinner on Sat., April 20. Check out the organization's website or Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/troutmanruritan>) for details and preorders. All funds raised will stay in Troutman for the club's community service projects.

**Carolina Dogwood Festival Weekend Kick Off**

Friday April 19th from 6:30pm-9pm

Troutman ESC Park-228 North Ave, Troutman

**Carolina Dogwood Festival Kick off!**  
April 19th, 6:30-9pm, Troutman ESC Park  
Food Trucks - Dancing - Lots of FUN!

## Town Ordinances Regarding Pets

We all love to take our fur babies for walks outside when the weather is nice, but please keep in mind some of the ordinances set in place to protect the health and safety of the public and to protect your pet.

Section 4-2 Control of dogs in the Town of Troutman Code or Ordinances requires that your dog be on a leash of no more than 15 feet in length at all times when on public property within the town limits. The only area where dogs are allowed to run at large is at the town's off leash dog park within Troutman ESC Park.



This section also reminds us to be respectful and please clean up after your pet. Our ordinance requires that pet owners shall immediately remove any fecal matter by placing said matter in a closed or sealed container and thereafter disposing of it by disposing said matter in a trash receptacle, sanitary disposal unit, or other closed or sealed container. Neglecting to do so could result in fines of up to \$500.

## Town Owned Properties

We are frequently asked why Troutman owns properties throughout the town. There are several reasons for this; 1) We own property that houses our pump stations and sewer/water infrastructure; 2) We own properties that individual owners have donated to the town. These properties may be undevelopable, or the owners may be donating the property for tax reasons, and 3) We own property that is being land banked. This is a tool used by cities and towns for purchasing property that may be in a location of a known road or planning project. You can find a map that shows the location of all town-owned properties at <https://www.troutmannnc.gov/planning>. The information is under the maps tab on the planning homepage.

## "From the Duck Blind..." Manager's Memo

The Season is changing, and the spring beauty is everywhere in Troutman. Our town is so beautiful at this time of year, especially our park and greenways, which are unique in their own way. I hope you will take the time to enjoy unique spots at either location. Your role in maintaining this beauty is crucial. I encourage you to take a few pictures and share the exceptional views from your perspective with others.



I sincerely appreciate the meticulous work of our staff as they prune bushes, cut grass, and trim various trees, ensuring that many residents and visitors enjoy our amenities. Did you know that the Park had more than 90,000 visitors last year? Just think, the park has only been open less than 11 years. That many visitors are a testament to our community's need for parks and quality amenities. It also speaks volumes about the hard work and dedication of our staff. I also want to say, "Thank You, and we very much appreciate the many compliments" we get about the amenities and events the Town hosts. We will continue improving amenities with your support and in the direction of the Town Council. Quote of the month, "Change is the law of life. And those who look only to the present or past are certain to miss the future" ~ John F. Kennedy