

## “From the Duck Blind...” Managers Memo

Hello Neighbors, we would like to caution you all as the winds blow winter away and welcome spring upon us. The town staff is getting the Greenways, Parks, and Landscaping ready for the spring blooms and growth. It is also a wonderful time to do a little extra and clean up some of the debris that we clearly see before the new greenery hides it. Because of the extra wet conditions we have had this winter, the soil has been saturated, please be careful of your footing. Take care of yourself as you enjoy the outdoors and the warmer temperatures. Lewis Grizzard said "Springtime is the land awakening. The March winds are the morning yawn."



Ron "Duck" Wyatt, Town Manager

## Medicine Drop Box

Troutman Police Department has a permanently installed prescription disposal drop box located in the lobby of Troutman Town Hall. The box can be accessed during Town Hall business hours: Monday - Friday; 8:00 am - 5:00 pm.

Project Lazarus of Wilkes County provided the free drop box in order to help reduce drug addiction in North Carolina. This box allows individuals to safely dispose of unused medication without fear of it falling into the wrong hands or being stolen. The area is under video surveillance, but no records are kept and all deposits are anonymous.

## 2021 Independence Day Parade

Join us as together we celebrate pride in our freedoms, community, and country with our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Troutman Independence Day Parade and Fireworks on Saturday, July 2, 2021 at 11 am.

Applications are currently being accepted for the Troutman Independence Day Parade! Please contact Angela at Town Hall or [ahoover@troutmanncc.gov](mailto:ahoover@troutmanncc.gov) for an application. Forms are also on [www.troutmanncc.gov](http://www.troutmanncc.gov).

Please call Town Hall at 704-528-7600 or email [info@troutmanncc.gov](mailto:info@troutmanncc.gov) with questions.



## Troutman Town Council Members

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| Mayor:             | • Teross W. Young, Jr.                 |
| Councilmembers:    | • W. Paul Henkel- <i>Mayor Pro Tem</i> |
| • Felina L. Harris | • George W. Harris                     |
| • Edward R. Nau    | • Sally P. Williams                    |



## Town Schedules

### March 2021

- 01-02: Limb Collection
- 02: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 03: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 08: Agenda Briefing Meeting 4:00 pm
- 09: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 10: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 11: Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm
- 15: Parks & Recreation —3:00 pm
- 16: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 17: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 22: Planning & Zoning Board. 7:00 pm
- 23: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 24: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN

### April 2021

- 05-06: Limb Collection
- 13: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 14: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 05: Agenda Briefing Meeting 4:00 pm
- 06: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 07: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN
- 08: Town Council Meeting—7:00 pm
- 27: Recycling Day (Sanders Ridge)
- 28: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up Mon/Wed/Thurs. *except Parkwood, Falls Park, & Twinn Coves*)
- 26: Planning & Zoning Board. 7:00 pm
- 20: Recycling Day (if your trash is picked up on Tuesday)
- 21: Recycling Day for Parkwood, Falls Park, Twinn Coves, Falls Cove LN



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## Accepting Nominations: *Citizen & Organization of the Year*

Town of Troutman's Citizen of the Year and Organization of the Year Awards honor those who make a difference in our community. The awards recognize ongoing efforts of residents and organizations that improve the quality of life in Troutman and that are respected for their commitment, support, services, and activities that promote a positive influence on the community.

Do you know a family member, friend, neighbor, business person, or organization who deserves recognition; someone or a group of people who has performed a good deed or provided a service that has had a positive impact on you or others? You can honor them with a nomination for the "Citizen of the Year" or "Organization of the Year" Award.

The Troutman Town Council will select the winners from the pool of candidates. Nomination forms are available on the Town's website- [www.troutmanncc.gov](http://www.troutmanncc.gov) and at Troutman Town Hall- 400 N. Eastway Dr. Troutman NC. 28166. The deadline for nomination forms is March 26, 2021. Your assistance in honoring these residents and organizations is greatly appreciated.

## Serve on a Town Board or Committee

A great way to be part of our community is to serve on a Town advisory board or committee. Applications are accepted year round and may be downloaded from the Town's website or picked up at Town Hall. No experience is necessary for most positions – just a willingness to learn about municipal services and an interest in serving the residents of Troutman.

Positions come available periodically. Please contact Town Clerk, Kim Davis at [kdavis@troutmanncc.gov](mailto:kdavis@troutmanncc.gov) for availability.

List of Town Boards and Committees: Board of Adjustment, Design Review Board, Parks & Recreation Committee and Planning and Zoning Board.

Troutman Town Council will have three open seats on the 2021 election on November 2. If you are interested in running for Town Council, contact the Iredell County Board of Elections at 704-878-3140 to file for election.

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## Contact Us

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## Troutman Ordinances

**Dog Leash:** Our Town leash ordinance requires that your dog must be on a leash at all times when on public property within town limits. The intent of this ordinance is to protect the health and safety of the public and to protect your pet. The only area where dogs are allowed to run at large is at the town's off leash dog park within Troutman ESC Park (338 North Avenue).

**Dog Waste:** This is a friendly reminder to be respectful and please clean up after your pet. Dog waste is more than just smelly and messy, it's also a breeding ground for infection and public health concerns as bacteria and parasites thrive in dog waste until cleaned. Our local pet ordinance requires that pet owners properly dispose of pet droppings, and neglecting to do so can result in fines. Although this isn't a pleasant chore, it is the responsibility of a pet owner. Please visit [www.troutmannnc.gov](http://www.troutmannnc.gov) for information regarding this ordinance.

## Troutman Police Department Blood Drive

The Troutman Police department's first Red Cross Blood Drive on Thursday, 18 February 2021 was a huge success despite undesirable weather. The very cold temperatures and rainy conditions could not keep the citizens and employees of Troutman from coming out and donating. We had 30 individuals attend and were able to collect 27 units of blood. These units will be used to help individuals suffering from accidents, surgeries, organ transplants and for those battling cancer. All blood donations are currently being tested for COVID-19 antibodies and can help current coronavirus patients battling the virus. There are positive results for the donor in addition to those who receive the blood. Some donor benefits include lowering risk of getting cancer, lowering risk of a heart attack, sustains a healthy liver, renews an individual's blood supply, reduces iron storage, burns calories, improves insulin sensitivity and lengthens an individual's life. The greatest benefit is the potential of saving a life. Thank you to all the Troutman citizens and employees that came out to donate.

## Update Your Contact Info

Staff is working to insure that we can contact customers in our community to let them know of announcements, emergencies and events happening in Troutman.

We ask that each customer fill out the back of your payment slip with your mailing address, phone number and email and return it to us. It can be returned with your utility payment or the information can be emailed to our office at [info@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:info@troutmannnc.gov).

**STAY  
UPDATED**  
**UPDATE YOUR  
CONTACT INFO**



## Farmers Market

2021 season will open Tuesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> from 4:00 — 7:00 pm at the Troutman ESC Park (338 North Ave.)

If interested in participating as a vendor, please contact [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) for an application.



## Yoga in the Park

**When:** Thursdays in April

**Where:** Troutman ESC Park (338 North Ave.)

**Who can participate:** All ability levels are welcome. Limited to 20 participants and must pre-register

**How to register:** Contact Emily Watson at [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) to pre-register.

**What to bring:** Your own yoga mat and water bottle  
**Cost: FREE**



## Ballfield Sponsorship Opportunities

The Town of Troutman is a diverse and thriving community that values the opportunity to celebrate and gather; recreational amenities and special events help us do that. In addition to bringing people together, recreational experiences strengthen community image, develop a sense of place, and create lasting and impactful memories.

With this in mind, we are seeking sponsorships to help support the many special events that are offered in our town throughout the year- as well as newly constructed amenities in our park. Through the support of our sponsors, we are able to develop a well-planned recreation system, diverse and relevant programming, and quality facilities while your organization gains exposure and visibility to our residents and people from around our region.

We appreciate your willingness to support our community and look forward to working together in the future. Thank you for joining us in making Troutman a great place to live, work, and play.

Contact [ewatson@troutmannnc.gov](mailto:ewatson@troutmannnc.gov) with questions.

- ◆ Scoreboard Outfield Signs
- ◆ Concession Stand
- ◆ Park Trees
- ◆ Park Benches
- ◆ Picnic Tables
- ◆ In-kind Sponsorships
- ◆ Event Sponsorships
- ◆ Soccer/Baseball Fields