

Welcome To Troutman

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The Whistle Stop Monthly Newsletter

February 2025

Council Briefs—A Summary of Significant Council Actions

- ◆ Presentation of the Town of Troutman 2023-2024 Fiscal Year Audit
- ◆ Approval of a contract between the Town of Troutman and Verizon

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

Town of Troutman Employee Recognitions

Jose Pinheiro (right), Maintenance Technician, was recognized as December's Employee of the Month at tonight January's Town Council meeting. He works hard to keep town facilities clean and running properly. He is a great team member, and we are proud to recognize him.



Troutman Police Chief, Josh Watson (left), was recognized as Town of Troutman's 2024 Employee of the Year. Chief Watson was praised for building strong relationships with fellow staff, TPD officers, and members of the community. We appreciate his dedication and leadership to the Troutman Police Department and for supporting other departments within the Town.

Safety Note from Troutman Police Dept.

The Troutman Police Department would like to remind all residents not to block sidewalks when parking in their driveways. The blocking of sidewalks is in violation of Town of

Troutman ordinances and results in pedestrians having to go into the street to navigate around the parked vehicle, placing them at a greater risk of being struck by a passing vehicle. Let's all work together to help make sure our neighborhoods are safe and pedestrian friendly.



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Troutman, NC 28166
(704) 528-7600
info@troutmannnc.gov

Visit us on the web:
www.troutmannnc.gov

Utility Payments:
(704) 946-5612



Troutman Parks & Rec: Athletics



JOIN THE FUN!
FLAG

REGISTER FOR FLAG FOOTBALL
www.troutmannnc.gov
LEAGUE IS OPEN TO GRADES 6TH-8TH

• GAMES AND PRACTICES @ TROUTMAN ESC PARK
• GAMES PLAYED ON SATURDAYS
• REGISTRATION CLOSES FEBRUARY 24TH
• TEAMS WILL BE PICKED BY RANDOM DRAFT

\$80 REGISTRATION FEE

Register Now!
League play runs March 1st through May 17th.

Flag Football– 6th-8th graders, \$80/ player, Registration closes on Feb 24th

- Registration fee includes NFL uniform (top and shorts) and flag system
- Season runs March 1st-May 17th
- If you would like to volunteer coach or want to apply for our scholarship please contact our Athletic Coordinator, Shawn McCoy- smccoy@troutmannnc.gov




TROUTMAN PARKS & REC
YOUTH SOFTBALL CLINIC

SATURDAY, MARCH 1ST : 9AM-12PM
AGES 7 -15 YRS OLD
@ TROUTMAN ESC PARK WITH AMANDA T. WIKE & JAMIE GRIFFIN

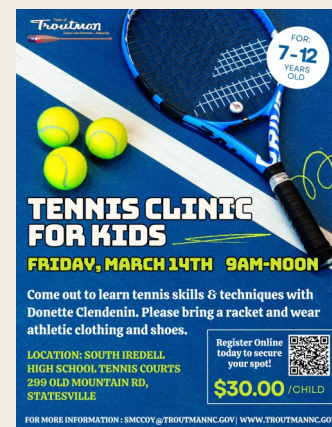
WWW.TROUTMANNC.GOV
QUESTIONS? SMCCOY@TROUTMANNC.GOV

REGISTER NOW!

\$30

Youth Softball Clinic– March 1st– 9am- 12pm, \$30/child, Troutman ESC Park

- Come out to learn softball fundamentals
- This clinic is open to children ages 7-15 years old
- Camp led by Amanda T. Wike and Jamie Griffin
- Contact smccoy@troutmannnc.gov with questions

TENNIS CLINIC FOR KIDS
FRIDAY, MARCH 14TH 9AM-NOON

FOR 7-12 YEARS OLD

Come out to learn tennis skills & techniques with Donette Clendenin. Please bring a racket and wear athletic clothing and shoes.

Register Online today to secure your spot!
\$30.00 /CHILD

LOCATION: SOUTH IREDELL HIGH SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS
299 OLD MOUNTAIN RD, STATESVILLE

FOR MORE INFORMATION : SMCCOY@TROUTMANNC.GOV / WWW.TROUTMANNC.GOV

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Troutman Parks & Rec: Upcoming Events



SPRINT INTO SPRING

3.9.25 @ 3PM
\$30 : 5K / \$35 : 10K
TROUTMAN TOWN HALL
TSHIRT & MEDAL
WWW.RUNSIGNUP.COM

13th Annual Sprint Into Spring 5K/10K – Sunday, March 9 – 3:00pm, Troutman Town Hall - 400 N. Eastway Dr.

- Back for our 13th annual race. This event is for runners or walkers - all fitness levels are welcome.
- \$30 for 5K or \$35 for 10K. All participants will receive a finishers' medal and t-shirt. Register at www.runsignup.com
- Awards for the top 3 in each age group. Sponsorship & volunteer opportunities available.



Vendor Spots have been filled.

SPRING CRAFT EXPO
March 15 : 9am-3pm
@ SOUTH IREDELL HIGH SCHOOL
299 OLD MOUNTAIN RD, STATESVILLE
www.troutmannnc.gov
award@troutmannnc.gov
704-508-3012

crafts, jewelry, housewares, local art & baked goods

Spring Craft Expo – Saturday, March 15 – 9:00am - 3:00pm, South Iredell High School Gym – 299 Old Mountain Rd.

- Make plans to come shop with over 75 local crafters, vendors, artists, and so much more!
- Food Trucks will be on site during the event– stop by to see them for your lunch and snack needs!
- You can find additional information @ www.troutmannnc.gov
- If you have any questions please reach out to award@troutmannnc.gov



FLASHLIGHT Easter Scramble
For Adults Only

Fri. April 11th @ 8pm
Troutman ESC Park

\$5/ person
Open to 16+ yrs old

Pre-registration is required

BRING YOUR OWN FLASHLIGHT/HEAD LAMP & BAG PRIZES AND MORE!

Flashlight Adult Easter Scramble– Friday, April 11 @ 8pm, Troutman ESC Park– 338 North Ave.

- Grab your friends and come out for a night of fun– just for adults! **\$5 each**
- Bring your own flashlight/head lamp and bag. We're hunting in the DARK!
- Eggs filled with candy and prizes
- Pre-registration is required- www.troutmannnc.gov
- If you have any questions please reach out to award@troutmannnc.gov

Citizen & Organization of the Year Awards

Nomination forms are available at Town Hall— 400 N. Eastway Drive and on our website at www.troutmannnc.gov under Forms and Documents. Deadline for nominations for Citizen and Organization of the Year is **March 28th, 2025 at 5:00pm.**

What is the definition of a Citizen or Organization of the Year?

Citizen of the Year: This award honors those who make a difference in our community through ongoing efforts of residents to improve the quality of life in Troutman. Do you know a friend, family member, neighbor, or business person who deserves recognition for performing a good deed or providing a service that has positively impacted you or others? You can honor them with this award, as it is the Town's way of recognizing residents of the Troutman community who are committed to preserving, maintaining, and improving the quality of life in their neighborhood or community. Troutman Town Council will select the winner from the pool of candidates. Your assistance in honoring these residents is greatly appreciated.

Organization of the Year: This recognition should be presented to an organization that is respected for their commitment, support, services, and activities that promote a positive influence on the community.

Planning Department: What is a Social District?

In 2021, North Carolina passed a law to allow for jurisdictions to create social districts. A social district is a location where people can walk with open, to-go containers of alcoholic beverages in a contiguous area. A social district may include both indoor and outdoor areas of businesses within the defined district during the days and hours established for the social district. Jurisdictions can create social districts by local ordinance approved by the governing body. Each social district must have a clearly defined boundary with signs posted identifying said boundary. The days and hours in which alcoholic beverages may be consumed in the district must be displayed along with the telephone numbers of the ALE Division and the local law enforcement agency. The jurisdiction must have a management and maintenance plan which will address how the district is operated. Since the law was passed, over 60 jurisdictions state-wide have adopted social districts. A business located in the boundary of any adopted social district has the right not to participate.

There has been interest in Troutman to create a social district. Town Council has directed staff to begin the process of researching the positives and negatives a potential social district may bring. A subcommittee made up of both Councilmembers and staff has been created to lead the process. An initial meeting was held on January 13th at Town Hall to hear comments and feedback from local business owners in the area traditionally considered Troutman's downtown. As the process continues, Town Staff will seek feedback from additional business owners and citizens. If you would like information regarding the steps of the process, or social districts in general, please reach out to the Planning Department.

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

The shortest month of the year is upon us. It does not seem like we should already be in February. It historically is one of the coldest months for our area as we begin the final transition from winter to spring. I hope you stay warm and enjoy a few awesome celebration dates. The first is Valentine's Day on Friday the 14th. Please take time to let those family and friends near your heart know how much they mean to you. Then, to honor love in a different way, I hope you will celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Day on Monday, February 17th. This idea began in 1995 in Colorado and continues to grow in celebration worldwide every year. The thought is to make the world a little brighter and better through little and simple kind gestures, words, and actions. This date is also shared this year with Presidents Day. It is also called "Washington's Birthday" to celebrate the birth federally of our first president (which is February 22nd). Abraham Lincoln's birthday is February 12th. Neither the US Congress nor any US President has ever declared a national holiday in all states. Others state that it is a day to recognize all presidents, past and present. That is why the holiday is different in some states as to who recognizes it officially.

Monthly Quote – "Carry out a random act of kindness, with no expectation of reward, safe in the knowledge that one day someone might do the same for you"



~ Princess Diana

FEBRUARY 2025



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2	3 Monday Recycling Leaf & Limb Collection	4 Tuesday Recycling Leaf & Limb Collection	5 Wednesday Recycling Limb Collection	6 Thursday Recycling Design Review Board Meeting 3:30pm	7 8	1 15
9 Hearts to A.C.E. 5k @ 3pm, Troutman ESC Park, Hosted by Troutman Exchange Club	10 Agenda Briefing 4:00 - 6:00 pm	11	12	13 Town Board Meeting 7:00 - 10:00 pm	14 happy Valentine's day	22 Refuge Church of Christ Food Pantry, 11:30am—1pm, 133 Elder Ln
16	17 Monday Recycling	18 Tuesday Recycling	19 Wednesday Recycling	20 Thursday Recycling Board of Adjustment 3:00-5:00pm	21	28
23	24 Planning & Zoning Board 6:00-8:00 pm Deadline to sign up for Flag Football— 6th-8th graders	25	26	27	28	

**All meetings conducted at Town Hall—
Public encouraged to attend in order to stay informed and
engaged with Town matters.**