

2018 Holiday Garbage/Recycle Make Up Schedule

Monday Pick Up

Veterans Day - November 12th will be picked up Wednesday, November 14th.

Tuesday Pick Up

New Year's Day – January 1st will be picked up on Wednesday, January 2nd.

Thursday Pick Up

Thanksgiving - November 22nd will be picked up on Wednesday, November 21st.

Friday Pick Up

Thanksgiving - November 23rd will be picked up on Wednesday, November 21st.

Important Water Billing Dates

Water bills are due by November 20th by 5:00 p.m. to avoid late fees. Late fees (the greater of \$5.00 or 5%) will be added on November 21st.

Accounts that have an unpaid balance will need to be paid by 4:30 p.m. on December 5th to avoid paying the cut off fee and/or water service being disconnected. Any account with an outstanding balance will be disconnected on December 6th.

Online Bill Pay

Customers can pay their water bill online at www.townofaberdeen.net.

An account needs to be setup in order to access online bill pay.

Once the account is set up, you must confirm your email in order to access the account.

Add your service address to the account to be able to make online payments. Make sure to have the following when adding the service address:

- 10 digit account number (including dashes)
- Last payment amount made on the account

Household Hazardous Waste Collection

The annual Household Hazardous Waste Collection event will take place on Saturday, November 17 from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Pinecrest High School in the Parking lot off of Voit Gilmore Lane. This event is for Moore County residents only and it is free.

Examples of items to be collected are: paint and paint thinners, furniture strippers and finishing products, solvents and degreasers, wood preservatives, polishes, aerosols, fluorescent light tubes, compact fluorescent bulbs, NiCad batteries, alkaline batteries, lithium batteries, propane cylinders, swimming pool chemicals, used motor oil, antifreeze, gasoline, hydraulic transmission and brake fluid.

Also pesticides, herbicides, fungicides and insecticides **WILL BE** accepted but **MUST** be in its original containers for identification purposes.

Commercial and electronic waste will not be accepted at this event; however, you may dispose of E-Waste at any of the seven (7) Moore County Collection Centers.

The Shredding Event will take place Saturday, November 17 from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at Pinecrest High School in the parking lot off of Voit Gilmore Lane. This event is for Moore County residents only. Drive-thru service will be available or you can watch your documents being shredded on site.

Welcome in the Holiday Season with Downtown Aberdeen!

Downtown Aberdeen Businesses are pleased to host the Bread Bowl Walking Tour for the 7th year on Saturday, November 10th from 12 – 4 p.m.

Participating locations will feature local chefs and their signature soups or other food items that would be delicious in a bread bowl! You will have the opportunity to sample all the yummy creations and vote for your favorite.

If you stop by all of the participating store locations and turn your ballot in at the caboose (100 E. Main St.) you will be automatically entered to win a gift basket packed with goodies donated by our businesses.

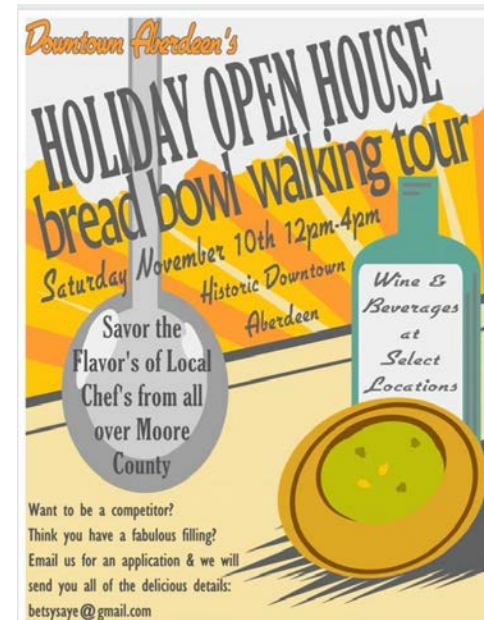
IT'S FREE! Just show up to participate in all the fun activities!



Stroll around Downtown Aberdeen, sipping several varieties of wine on November 9th from 4 – 7 p.m. Shop at 14 participating venues and enjoy tasty bites along the way.

Sand & Pine's Uncorked coincides with Aberdeen's annual Open House shopping extravaganza that kicks off the holiday season. Come enjoy bargains, sales, socializing, wine and treats.

For more event information and ticketing visit www.downtownaberdeen.net.



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Message from Commissioner, Ken Byrd

The Local Sales and Use Tax Referendum Is on the Ballot on November 6th!

At the October 8, 2018 Work Session, the Aberdeen Board of Commissioners unanimously passed a Resolution in support of the 1/4 cent Local Sales and Use Tax proposal. This proposal supports the efforts being made by the Moore County Commissioners to provide funding for the investment finally being made for the public schools in Moore County.

Last May, the citizens of Moore County overwhelmingly voted in favor of \$103M bonds to build three new elementary schools. The new schools will consolidate five existing schools into three, with capacity to support our growing needs. In addition, the County Commissioners approved funding for the new school being built on Camp Easter Road, a critical need to relieve the overcrowding in two other elementary schools. The current County Commissioners have stepped up to the plate and working in conjunction with the Moore County Board of Education have identified the need for the new schools, as well as other long deferred needs.

What does this mean for Aberdeen? Aberdeen will benefit from all the new construction with the first of the three new elementary schools to be built off of Hwy 5. The new Aberdeen Elementary School will have grades K-5, with capacity for up to 800 students. The new school will replace the existing Aberdeen Elementary School and Aberdeen Primary and is expected to be opened in August 2020.

Now the tough part, we have to pay for the bonds and future construction. One of the ways to do so is through the 1/4 cent Sales and Use Tax referendum that will be on the ballot for voter approval on November 6, 2018.

If Sales and Use Tax is approved, the revenue generated by the tax will support education by funding capital construction projects to address capacity and to replace existing aging structures. Four new elementary schools as well as classrooms, labs, and an auxiliary gym at North Moore High School are now underway, with an additional nearly \$72 million in identified capital and maintenance projects for existing structures needed over the next twenty years.

The County Commissioners have pledged that the revenue generated by the Sales and Use Tax will be dedicated to Moore County Schools capital construction projects, both current and future needs. The tax is anticipated to generate approximately \$2.5 to \$3 million dollars each year, all of which will go to paying down the bonds and for other capital construction projects for the Moore County Schools.

In addition, anyone that visits, shops, or spends any time in the county will contribute to the funding. Tourists and shoppers from out of the county will all pay the 1/4 cent tax on items that they buy. It is estimated that approximately 40% of the total annual proceeds will come from out-of-towners.

The 1/4 cent Sales and Use tax will not apply to:

- Gas
- Prescription Medications
- Unprepared Food (items you buy at the grocery store: produce, canned goods, boxed items, packaged meats, etc.)

We encourage you to take time to read all of the information you can about this particular tax. You can find more information at www.moorecountync.gov/salestax and you can find the Resolution passed by the Aberdeen Board of Commissioners at www.townofaberdeen.net.



What Holiday events are happening in Aberdeen?

Lots of festivities for all ages to be enjoyed in Downtown Aberdeen

35th Annual Model Train Show

ALL ABOARD!! ...for the Sandhills Central Railroad Club 35th annual model train show Saturday, November 17, 2018 from 10 AM to 4 PM. Admission is \$5; children under 4 feet 8 1/2 inches are free. This event will be at the historic Union Station located at 100 East Main Street in Aberdeen, North Carolina. The show will feature the Club's operating HO scale layout depicting downtown Aberdeen. The immediately adjacent Union Station Railroad Museum will also be open during the exhibition with docents available to interpret local and railroad history.

Tree Lighting Ceremony

Come join us in a traditional small-town holiday celebration on Thursday, December 6th at 6:15 p.m. at the Depot in Historic Downtown Aberdeen.

Witness the lighting of the Christmas tree and the arrival of Santa with a reading of 'Twas the Night Before Christmas.

Supper with Santa

Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor this very popular Holiday event, Supper with Santa. Children and their families can enjoy a catered dinner from Texas Roadhouse, holiday crafts, watch Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer as children hang out with Santa. This annual dinner is scheduled on Friday evening, December 7th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at the Aberdeen Recreation Center. Tickets are available until December 1st and cost is \$5 per child, \$10 per resident adult, & \$15

per non-resident adult. For additional information, please call the Aberdeen Parks & Recreation Department at (910) 944-7275.

Christmas Parade

Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department will sponsor the Annual Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 8th at 11:00 a.m. in Historic Downtown Aberdeen.

There will be so much to see and fun for children of all ages. Of course Santa will visit during the parade.

Parade registration deadline is December 1st. Registration forms can be found on the Town's website, www.townofaberdeen.net or for more information, please contact the Parks & Recreation Dept. at (910) 944-7275.

Old Fashioned Christmas

Come enjoy an Old Fashioned Christmas at Malcolm Blue Farm on Saturday, December 8th from 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

The farmhouse will be open and decorated in the fashion of the period. Music and light refreshments will be provided. The pack house will be open with children's activities such as letters to Santa with feather pens and making bird feeders. The museum will also be open to visitors. Come celebrate Christmas, in the spirit of the 1820s!

This event is FREE and open to the public!

Malcolm Blue Farm is located at 1177 Bethesda Road, Aberdeen, NC.

Reindeer Fun Run

Aberdeen is very excited to host the Reindeer Fun Run for the eighth year and hope all our citizens will be on hand to support the

participants and join the fun downtown after the race. This year's event will be Saturday, December 1, 2018.

Friday, November 30th

- 12 – 7 p.m. – Registration & Packet pick-up at Page Memorial Fellowship Hall (104 S. Poplar St.)

Saturday, December 1st (race day)

- 7:15 – 8:45 a.m. – Registration & Packet pick-up
- 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. – McDonald's Kid Zone & After Party
- 9 – 11 a.m. – 12ks of Christmas Run
- 9:30 – 11 a.m. – 5k Reindeer Fun Run/Walk
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. – Costume Judging
- 10:30 a.m. – Kids Egg Nog Jog (3 heats)
- 11 a.m. – Awards Presentation at the Caboose

A large crowd of participants and spectators are anticipated during the morning hours and some streets that are included in the routes will be closed for the duration of the race. While some streets will have one lane open during the race, leaving and entering driveways may not be possible while runners are on the Route. Planning your morning with this information in mind will help to avoid conflicts and inconveniences. It is expected that all roads will be re-opened no later than 12:00 noon. A map of streets to be closed due to race routes is enclosed. For more information please visit www.reindeerfunrun.com.



Parks & Recreation Programs & Athletics

Youth Basketball League

This league will emphasize learning the basic developmental skills and improving existing skills of basketball. Youth Basketball also puts focus on having fun and learning teamwork skills. This league is open to boys and girls ages 4-12. Everyone should expect one week night and a Saturday practice or game. Games and practices are held at Aberdeen Elementary School starting December 1st. Fees are \$12 for residents and \$25 for non-residents.

Registration deadline is November 16th or until full.

If interested in coaching a team please contact Kacey

Blackmon, Athletic Coordinator, at 910-944-7275.

Cheerleading

Basketball season is not far away and Parks & Rec is looking for children ages 4-12 that can show their team spirit for Aberdeen's winter basketball league. Cheerleaders will learn basic cheers, jumps, kicks, and much more. Registration deadline is November 16th. Cost is \$30 for residents and \$45 for non-residents.

Tai Chi

Join Sifu Lee Holbrook as he teaches the fundamentals of Tai Chi and helps alleviate stress, anxiety, and improves mood and joint pain. Sessions are four weeks long

on Tuesdays from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center. Fees per month are \$21 for residents and \$32 for non-residents.

Chair Exercise

Increase your muscle strength, circulation, range of motion, and get on the right track to a healthier lifestyle. By getting up in the morning and exercising you have just boosted your metabolism, alertness, and energy levels. Sessions are held monthly at the Recreation Center on Tuesdays & Thursdays from 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Fees per month are \$2 for residents and \$5 for non-residents.

Parks & Recreation Advisory Board is looking to fill vacancies!

The Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department is seeking applications for the Town's Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. This board meets quarterly, on the last Thursday of the month in October, January, April, and July. All meetings begin at 6 p.m. and will be held at the Recreation Center at Aberdeen Lake Park.

Board members will provide input and feedback on subjects ranging from local parks and

facilities, to programs and special events, to upcoming projects and the future of the department as it serves the town and its citizens. Board members must be residents of Aberdeen and be willing to serve a minimum of a two year term. For more information or an application, please contact the Aberdeen Parks and Recreation Department at (910) 944-7275, or an application can be obtained from the town website at www.townofaberdeen.net.

Board of Commissioners Work Session

2nd Monday | 6:00 p.m.
Town Hall Conference Room
Due to the Veterans Day holiday, the Work Session will be held Tuesday, November 13th.

Board of Commissioners Meeting

4th Monday | 6:00 p.m.
J. Curtis McInnis Board Room
November 26th & December 10th

Planning Board Meeting

3rd Thursday | 6:00 p.m.
J. Curtis McInnis Board Room
November 15th & December 20st

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Town Hall Closings

In observation of Veterans Day, Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed November 12, 2018.

In observation of Thanksgiving, Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed November 22 & 23, 2018.

In observation of Christmas, Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed December 24 - 26, 2018.

In observation of New Year's, Town Hall and other administrative offices will be closed January 1, 2019.