



August 2021 Newsletter

Mayor's Message

What an exciting time to live in Leland! As we come out of COVID, now we can focus our full attention on the future. And boy, is our future bright!

The Town continues booming in growth and so do our amenities, opportunities, and services for everyone to enjoy. We're bringing on new businesses, building new fire stations, and planning new parks. But what's most exciting to me, especially after the last year and a half, is seeing everybody come together again for community events.

This summer, I was so happy to see us bring back our Leland Movies in the Park series. Of course, that had to look a little different because of the pandemic, but it was wonderful to see people back together!

We're already planning for some of my personal favorites later this year: Trunk or Treat and Leland in Lights. We'll have much more to share with you on both of those events in the months to come, and we'll send updates out on the [Town of Leland website](#), [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Nextdoor](#).

Life is back on track and we finally seem close to having COVID in the rearview mirror. I'm proud of our Town for getting creative during a pandemic, full of challenges that none of us could've expected. And I'm proud of our people for coming together during tough times, proving what community is really all about.

---Mayor Brenda Bozeman

Town Project Updates

Fire Station 53

The Town is moving forward with the construction of Leland Fire/Rescue Station 53 at 187 Old Lanvale Road. This project will transform the Town's former Municipal Operations Building into a new fire station that will serve the



rapidly growing area along Highway 17, as well as the areas along Lanvale Road and near NC 87. The location of the new, fully staffed station will help reduce response times to emergencies.

Site and building construction started in July. Station 53 is expected to be completed and fully operational in December 2021.



Stream Cleanup

In September 2018, the Town of Leland experienced Hurricane Florence, which resulted in significant impacts throughout Southeastern North Carolina. As a result, there were many instances of downed trees, limbs, flooding,

and miscellaneous debris that affected the streams and estuaries within Town limits. Waterflow and drainage impacts within several of these streams were significant enough to fall under the guidelines of the USDA Emergency Watershed Protection Program (EWP) and deemed eligible for emergency assistance for cleanup, debris removal, and stabilization.

Debris removal and stream cleanup have started within portions of Jackeys Creek, Sturgeon Creek, and unnamed tributaries near Fairview Road and Village Road. The project is expected to be completed in December 2021.

Stay up-to-date on these projects and more by [visiting the Town's project website](#).

Public Meeting: Resilient Coastal Communities Program



The Town is seeking public input as part of the Resilient Coastal Communities Program (RCCP) through the North Carolina Division of Coastal Management (DCM). The goal of the project is to enhance resiliency to natural hazards, like flooding and storms, by building a framework to develop and implement a locally driven Resilience Strategy and implement projects or activities which reduce the impacts of those hazards.

Community engagement is critical to this project. Leland residents are invited to participate in [this public survey](#), which will gauge priorities and preferences as a baseline for project plans. Participants will be asked about experiences with disasters caused by natural hazards like flooding, storm surge, and/or erosion. There will also be a public meeting from 6 to 7 p.m. on August 25 to provide an overview of the project and a discussion of community vision and goals. You can participate virtually or in person at Town Hall.

The Town will regularly update the [project website](#) with the latest information, including public feedback, ways you can get involved, and next steps.



A Safety Message from Leland Fire/Rescue

Heat Related Injuries

As we enjoy the outdoors this summer, it's important to know how to recognize heat related injuries so you can take the proper steps to protect yourself. If you're ever in doubt, don't wait, call 911.

Heat Exhaustion

Condition characterized by dehydration, caused by exposure to high temperatures, particularly when combined with high humidity and strenuous physical activity.

Symptoms: Headache, fatigue, dizziness, fainting, rapid breathing, thirst, possible vomiting, heavy sweating, clammy skin, muscle cramps, and weakness.

Treatment: Rehydration, cooling, and physician recommendations for medications to reduce muscle cramps.

What can you do right away?

- * Remove unnecessary clothing
- * Move to a cooler environment
- * Loosen clothing
- * Cool the body with cool water using wet towels
- * Drink plenty of fluids, especially sports drinks, to replace sodium
- * Avoid caffeine and alcohol
- * Seek medical help if you're vomiting, the symptoms get worse, or they continue for longer than an hour

Heat Stroke

Life-threatening condition caused by overheating of the body due to prolonged exposure to high temperatures, usually in combination with dehydration.

Symptoms: Altered state of mind and behavior such as confusion, slurred speech and delirium; dry skin; nausea and vomiting; headache; dizziness; flushed or reddened skin; rapid pulse; muscle weakness or cramps.

Treatment: Administered by health care professionals; seek medical help right away.

We want to enjoy ourselves outdoors, but we must know when to slow down or stop, especially during the height of summer. Stay hydrated, take breaks, get in the shade, and know what symptoms to be aware of!

Mark your calendar!



New Class Registration Now Open

You can register for any class in our CAPE magazine now. [View the online](#)

[version](#) or drop by the Leland Cultural Arts Center to grab your hard copy today.



"Lifeguard Tower" -Zak Duff

Instructor Gallery Showcase

The Leland Cultural Arts Center is proud to showcase our exceptional instructors. Come check out their works and be inspired for your next class at the LCAC!

Dates: August 3-28



Location: Masonboro Island

Date: Tuesday, August 24

Time: 8:30 a.m.

Fee: \$45

[Register Online](#)

Leland Parks, Recreation, and
Cultural Resources

Open House

Kids Crafts Get to know
our
instructors *Class*
Discounts

August 28th

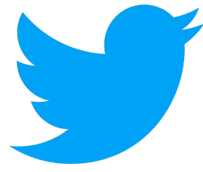
10 AM - 2 PM
Leland Cultural Arts Center
1212 Magnolia Village Way
Leland, NC 28451

Bring the entire family to the Leland Parks, Recreation,
and Cultural Resources' annual Open House! Get to
know our instructors and participate in a variety of
family-friendly activities.

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