

January 2022 Newsletter

Mayor's Message



Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a great holiday season! While this past year may have looked a little different due to the ongoing pandemic, I hope you still got to spend some quality time with loved ones.

Starting a new year means looking towards the future, setting new goals, and reflecting on how far

we've come. And 2021 sure was a big year for the Town of Leland! We adopted the historic Leland 2045 Plan, received nearly half a million dollars in grant funding to help with our Founders Park renovations, and broke ground on the new Fire Station 53, which we're getting ready to open up! 2021 was also a great year for bringing the community together. We had wonderful crowds for our movies and concerts, beautiful handmade gifts at our Holiday Art Market, and a bigger and brighter Leland in Lights than ever before! If you haven't made it to Founders Park for Leland in Lights yet, don't worry, the lights will be shining through Jan. 10.

As we move into 2022, we're excited to work towards improving our parks, building another new fire station, and plenty of other projects that we'll keep you updated on as we move along. We're also bringing back one of my all-time favorites: Leland We Don't Know Tours! These two-hour bus tours visiting sites of the Town's early days, highlighting history, and discussing plans for the future are returning in March. Stay tuned for more details, as these popular tours fill up quickly!

With our rapid growth continuing, it's more important now than ever before that you get involved. Keep up with the latest Town news on our website and social media, attend Town Council meetings to stay up-to-date on projects and initiatives, and participate in your community by checking out our events or signing up for programs at the Leland Cultural Arts Center.

We're proud of what we've accomplished over the last year and look forward to celebrating even more success in 2022, and we can't get there without you! Thank you for your continued support and commitment to making Leland such a great place to live, work, and play. Stay safe and healthy in the new year!

--Mayor Brenda Bozeman



Leland in Lights

Thank you to everyone who has visited Leland in Lights so far this season! You still have time to experience the magic. Founders Park will be illuminated at dusk every evening through Jan. 10.

The Leland Express train will be running on Jan. 7 and 8 from 6 to 8 p.m. Visit LelandinLights.com for more information.



Coming Soon: Fire Station 51

The Town of Leland has signed a contract with Environments Unlimited Inc. for the construction of Fire Station 51, which will be located within the Town's Municipal Operations Center at 1987 Andrew Jackson Hwy NE. The station will replace the current Station 51, located at 1004 Village Road NE.

At approximately 13,700 square feet, Fire Station 51 will have features including four pull-through 70 foot bays, eight private bunk rooms, a large fitness center, kitchen, office space, and a 1,200 square foot conference room. Construction on the new facility is expected to begin in early 2022.

Stay up-to-date on all projects by visiting the Town Projects webpage.



#LelandPrepares

Stormwater runoff is rain water that does not infiltrate into the ground. While the runoff is traveling across impervious surfaces, it collects various pollutants such as pesticides and debris. Stormwater runoff drains directly into our waterways with no treatment. It is up to us to keep our waterways clean by preventing pollution! To learn more, visit our stormwater website.

Find more preparedness tips by searching #LelandPrepares on social media.



A Safety Message from Leland Fire/Rescue

Here are some safety resolutions to consider implementing in 2022:

 Develop and practice your home escape plan. Purchase new batteries or better yet, new carbon monoxide and smoke detectors for your home. Older detectors have а seven year shelf life, while newer ones have а 10 year life. Many homes have hard wired systems, some of which have battery

backups -_ check those batteries! lt doesn't hurt to install а batteryoperated detector as well to prepare for possible power outages. Keep combustible items away from your fireplace or any heating appliances. Check the vents for your dryer and make sure they are not clogged. Schedule а cleaning for

them if that hasn't been done recently. Keep matches and lighters in safe containers. Make sure candles are kept in holders that won't tip over, and extinguish them when you leave the room. Purchase fresh batteries for your flashlight in case the power goes out. Avoid slip hazards. Have some kind

of material like kitty litter, salt, or sand near your driveway or sidewalk that can be thrown on icy spots SO you don't slip and fall. Make sure first responders can see your house number SO we can find you! Check with your HOA to see if there are specific rules in

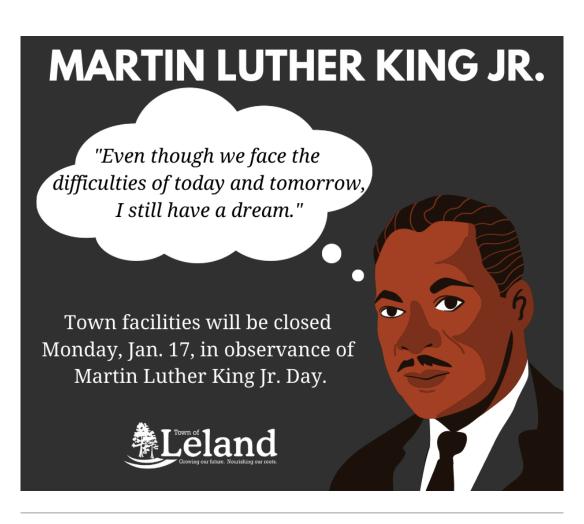
place about having numbers on your mailbox or home and follow those suggestions. Installing four or six inch reflective numbers is key.

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Sign Up for CodeRED Alerts

The Town has implemented CodeRED, a high-speed emergency mass notification service. The free community notification system for Leland residents will send you alerts concerning time-sensitive and/or emergency information that may impact your area via phone calls, text messages, emails, and social media. Learn more about CodeRED.

Sign up for CodeRED alerts online or text ALERTLELAND to 99411.



Mark your calendar!



Jingle Jog

The monthly running group is getting festive with the Jingle Jog in Founders Park.

This jog is suitable for all paces and a great way to make friends who have similar interests.

Sign the waiver before you go!

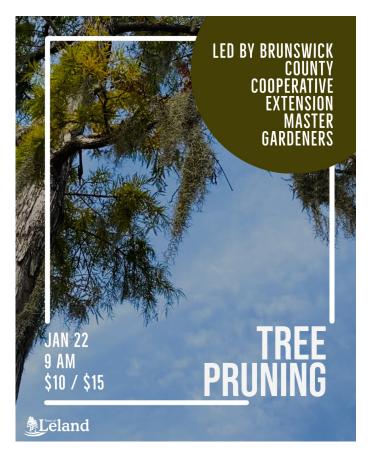
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LCAC Student Showcase Reception

We are so excited to announce that our Jan. 2022 gallery show is filled with work from our current LCAC students! Come see their work and meet all the artists.

Jan. 13, 6 - 8 p.m.



Tree Pruning

There's no better way to learn than from the pros!

Join us as we learn tree pruning techniques from the Brunswick County Cooperative Extension Master Gardeners.

Sign up now!

Jan. 22, 9 a.m.



Fall into DIY

Join us for our last DIY session of the season: Valentine's Day Candle Making.

Bring your own essential oils and create your own fragrance!

Sign up now.

Jan. 25, 6 p.m.

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