



CITY CLIPS

August 2007

Recycling Dates: August 9th, 10th, 23rd & 24th

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City Council Meeting

Monday, August 13th & 27th

7:00 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers
207 West Second Avenue

School Board Meeting

Thursday, August 16th

7:30 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers
207 West Second Avenue

Planning Commission Meeting

Thursday, August 23rd

5:30 p.m.

City Hall Council Chambers
207 West Second Avenue

Early Childhood Commission's Parenting Tip for August – Have Fun Together Principle – Children love to know that they bring us joy and pleasure. Lighten up and have fun! This tip is part of an article written by Katharine C. Kersey, Ed.D. of Old Dominion University's Child Study Center. For more tips, you may log onto her website at www.dl.odu.edu/101s

Franklin City Public Schools – Internet Safety Tip for August – In September 2007, Franklin City Public Schools will be implementing a new Internet Safety Curriculum which has been developed due to Virginia House Bill 58 and the Children's Internet Protection Act. Kindergarten through twelfth-grade students will be exposed to the "do's" and "don'ts" of various Internet safety aspects through their regular classroom teachers, lab teacher and librarian.

Some of the topics addressed are safe e-mailing habits, safe blogging procedures, safe chatroom practices and safe instant messaging routines. Other topics discussed will be cyberbullying, laws governing the Internet, copyright laws, identity theft, privacy safeguards and violent content messaging. Students and parents will be made aware of the warning signs that are unique to child predators. Involvement of the entire Franklin community is an additional component that will secure the full implementation of Internet safety education.

PLEASE NOTE: FISHING IS NOT ALLOWED ON THE DOCKS AT THE NEW BOAT LANDING OR ON THE BANKS BETWEEN THE BOAT LANDING AND THE WALKWAY AT BARRETT'S LANDING!!! THOSE INDIVIDUALS WISHING TO FISH MUST GO TO THE PIER AT BARRETT'S LANDING!!!

ATKINSON PARK IS BEGINNING TO TAKE SHAPE!!! The new picnic shelter has been installed and the Beautification Commission is eager to begin with landscaping.

Last month, **Franklin Redevelopment and Housing Authority** had several changes. We are pleased to announce the addition of several new staff members: Crystal Joyner as Executive Assistant, Ashanti Banks as the receptionist and Sherry Vanderklay as Inspector. FRHA has moved to Project-Based Management/Asset Management as required by HUD and to accommodate this change several title positions have been made; Oscar Mason who was the Director of Housing Services is now the Asset Manager. He is responsible for all of the Public Housing Units. Joan Whitehead is no longer a Property Manager but is the Assistant Asset Manager. Kisha Saunders who was our Resident Services Coordinator is now the Interim Section 8 Manager and Guy Myrick is the Maintenance/Technician Supervisor.

The 2007 Bud Lite **We Be Jammin' Summer Concert Series** continues at Barrett's Landing on Main Street. The concerts are every Thursday night beginning at 6:00 p.m. (August 2nd – Rhondels; August 9th – County Fair Night; August 16th – The Janitors; August 23rd – Hotcakes; August 30th – Aces Up) In the event of rain,

the concerts will be held at the American Legion Building on Armory Drive. Call the DFA office at **562-6900** for more details.

Franklin Beautification Commission - August Gardening Tips – Fertilize roses, dahlias and chrysanthemums. Fertilize iris with bone meal. Watch for signs of red spider and lace bugs on azaleas, camellias, boxwood and dahlias. Spray as needed. Dust zinnias, phlox with sulfur for powdery mildew. Remove faded flower heads from annuals, perennials and roses to lengthen blooming season. During dry spells, be sure to water deeply. Remember to soak, not sprinkle and to water in the early morning and not in the heat of the day.

The **Franklin/Southampton County Fair** will be held August 8-11, 2007 at the Southampton County Fair Grounds. On Wednesday, August 8th – Friday, August 10th the Fair will be open from 4:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. On Saturday, August 11th, the Fair will be open from 10:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Admission is \$5.00 per person or \$15.00 for a four day pass. There will be fun for the whole family!!!

Your comments and suggestions are wanted and needed. Please call us with your question, concerns and ideas or fill in the form and return with your payment:

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Phone (optional) _____
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Committee/Commission: _____
Ideas/Suggestions/Comments: _____

