

# Maiden Newsletter

*"A Town With A Future"*



## A Message From The Mayor



Dear Citizens,

Spring is here and with the warmer weather we've been having, it's nice to see the community tending to your yards, planting flowers, and enjoying other outdoor activities. This is also a good time to be thinking of our annual Spring Clean-up week that will be from June 7th to June 11th. Also, please remember to not mow grass in the road because it fills up our storm drains. By working together, we can make Maiden a more beautiful place to call home.

I want to applaud the citizens who attended and graduated from our Maiden 101 class. It was a great learning experience for all who were involved and we hope to have even more people next year.

The Spring Festival will be here real soon, so everyone plan to attend. On Thursday, May 27th, we have the Carolina Family and the Dove Brothers. Friday, May 28th, the Midnight Flyers and the Extraordinaires will be featured. Mark your calendar to come out with friends and family and have a great time.

Make sure to get your yard in shape because the Yard of the Month Committee will be out to see all of the beautiful yards. This year's committee is: Temple Lawing, Betty Austin, Glenda Frye, Galia Watters and Lois Ward.

As always, if you have a municipal concern, please contact me at 428-5031. If I am not in my office, leave me a message on my voice mail and I will return your call. School will be out soon, so watch out for the children and let's all have a safe and fun season.

*Bob Smyre, Mayor*



### School Registration

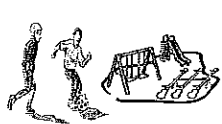


Maiden Elementary School is in the process of obtaining information on children who will be in kindergarten at Maiden Elementary School this upcoming school year, 2010-2011. These children must be five years old on or before August 31st and must live in the Maiden Elementary School district. If you know of anyone this applies to, please call the school at 428-8769 or e-mail [tara\\_williams@catawba.k12.net](mailto:tara_williams@catawba.k12.net) to register.

### United States Census 2010

The U.S. Census counts every resident in the United States and is required by the Constitution to take place every ten years. In March of 2010, census forms were delivered to every residence in the United States and Puerto Rico. The 2010 Census will help communities receive more than \$400 billion in federal funds each for things like hospitals, job training centers, schools, senior centers, bridges, tunnels and other public works projects and emergency services. Do your part, fill out the information and mail the form back in the postage-paid envelope.

Information provided by [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)



# Recreation



# News



## SPRING SPORTS

Youth T-Ball, Baseball and Softball registration concluded on March 3rd. There are twenty-two teams representing the Maiden Recreation Department. Youth softball is played on Mondays and Fridays. Youth baseball games are played on Tuesdays and Thursdays. All T-ball games are played on Saturdays. The season for these teams will begin during the last week of April. A complete schedule will be available in early April. Come out and support the teams as they compete within the league as well as against teams from Balls Creek.

There will be an organizational meeting for church softball during the month of May. This meeting is to establish the number of teams that will be in the league this season. Teams that have participated in the past will be given priority for the upcoming season. Any other church that wishes to participate should contact Jody Rogers at 828-428-5022.

## THANKS TO ALL WINTER SPORTS COACHES

The youth Basketball season has concluded. The Recreation Department would like to thank all the coaches involved to make this season a success. Without the volunteers generously giving their time, our programs would not be possible. The 2009 winter head coaches are: Dennis Harris, Chris Keener, Travis Fitzpatrick, Rebecca Buff, David Ricard, Trevor Powers, Kenny Moore, Danniell Smalling, DeAnna Finger, Dewey Grant, Aaron Williams, Kerry Peeler and Sandra Bumgarner. Thanks again to all of these people for their hard work.

## Church Basketball

Congratulations to the First United Methodist Church basketball team. First Methodist captured the regular season title as well as the tournament championship. Runner-up for the regular season, as well as the tournament was won by the Cornerstone B team. East Maiden Baptist Church won the sportsmanship award. Congratulations is extended to all these teams as well as those teams that participated. The season was a big success.

## UMPIRES NEEDED

The Recreation Department is always in need of baseball and softball umpires. If you are interested in umpiring baseball or softball games, contact Jody Rogers at the Maiden Recreation Department. This is a great way to make some extra money as well as helping the youth of the community.

## Outdoor Activities

Spring has arrived and people are becoming more active outside. Please keep in mind that during this time of year our parks and ball fields are very busy with activities. Take extra precautions when you are driving in these areas. Safety should be the first and foremost of concerns while in these areas of recreation.

## Maiden Municipal Park Picnic Shelter

The Maiden Recreation Department would like to remind all citizens of the addition of the bathroom facility at the picnic shelter at the Maiden Municipal Park. This addition has made the shelter an ideal place to conduct any event that you would like to enjoy outdoors. The shelter has ten picnic tables and electrical outlets that may be used for your special event. The shelter is open to the general public. However, you may choose to reserve it to assure that you will have it solely for your activities. The rental deposit for the shelter is \$50.00. Following your event, if the area is clean, you will receive a \$40.00 refund.

## New Registration Dates for Youth Sports

Due to the Town of Maiden collection department schedule, New registration dates for youth sports have been made. Please make note of these changes. If the 15th falls on a holiday or weekend, the next business day will be the deadline.

Sport  
 Youth Football  
 Youth Volleyball  
 Youth Soccer  
 Youth Basketball

New Registration Dates  
 June 15th—July 15th  
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 June 15th—July 15th  
 September 15th—October 15th

# MAIDEN'S ANNUAL SPRING FESTIVAL

Thursday, May 27th

Carolina Family  
Dove Brothers



Friday, May 28th

Midnight Flyers  
Extraordinaires

The music starts at 6:30 p.m.

Bring your lawn chair and enjoy some good food, fun, and fellowship!!!

## SPRING CLEAN-UP WEEK

**JUNE 7 — JUNE 11**



Our annual Spring Clean-Up week is scheduled for the week of June 7th, Monday thru Friday.

This is a good time to clean out carports, porches, yards, spare rooms or anything else that needs to be cleaned out and straightened up. You can place these items at the road during this entire week and we'll pick it up. However, we **cannot pick up any hazardous materials or any containers which have paint in them, oil or batteries, cleaning fluids or asbestos.**



**MOWING OF WEEDED LOTS.....** Every owner or person in possession of a lot within the corporate limits shall cut down, within (4) inches of the ground, all weeds, grass or other noxious growth from such lot at least (3) times each year in accordance with the time frames and provisions listed below. The first mowing shall be no later than June 1st; the second mowing shall be after June 1st and no later than August 1st; the third mowing shall be after August 1st and no later than October 1st. If such weeds or other noxious growth are not cut in compliance with this article, the Town shall proceed to have such weeds or other noxious growth cut, and the owner or person in possession of such lot shall be responsible to the Town for the cost thereof.



## REMINDER ON HOUSE NUMBERS

*Help everyone find you fast. Not having house numbers slows down response time to locate your house or your neighbor. Please take time to place your appropriate house numbers on your house. These numbers should be placed close to or on the front door of your home. If you need assistance or house numbers please call Town Hall at 428-5002, or come by. There has been a Catawba County and Town of Maiden Ordinance for several years requiring these numbers, so please take the time to help us help you.*

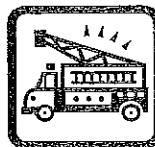


## MAIDEN FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS.....



*The Fire Department would like to remind everyone to test your smoke detectors. Smoke detectors should be tested at least once a month. If your detector does not operate when the test button is pressed, the detector needs to be replaced. As always, if you need a smoke detector or assistance installing a detector contact the fire department at 428-5028.*

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## HOLIDAY CLOSING

The Maiden Town Hall will be closed May 31, 2010 for Memorial Day. GDS service will not be interrupted.



Do you have leaves or grass clippings you want the town to pick up? **All** leaves and grass clippings must be in clear plastic bags with **NO** twigs, trash or other items. Bags should be placed near the road or sidewalk so our public works department can pick them up easily. Clear plastic bags are available at Town Hall for \$3.00 a roll (25 per roll).



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Maiden, NC 28650

Mayor.....Robert L. Smyre 428-5031  
Council members....David Boldon  
.....Max Bumgarner, Jr.  
.....Howard Ervin  
.....Marcus Midgett  
.....Fore Rembert

Town Manager.....428-5020  
Town Hall.....428-5000  
Police Dept.....428-5005  
Fire Dept.....428-5028  
Recreation Center.....428-5022  
Planning Department..428-5034

Town Council Meets on the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Meetings are at the Maiden Branch Library at 7:00 p.m.

Planning Board Meets on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Maiden Branch Library at 5:30 p.m.

Bulk Rate  
U.S. Postage  
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Maiden, NC  
Permit #55

CHECK US OUT ON THE WEB AT [WWW.MAIDENNC.COM](http://WWW.MAIDENNC.COM)

## RESIDENTIAL HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE & ELECTRONICS ONE-DAY COLLECTION EVENT!!!

MAY 1ST, 2010 9 AM - 3 PM RAIN OR SHINE AT THE GOVERNMENT CENTER (COURT HOUSE) IN NEWTON.

The following types of household hazardous waste & Electronics will be accepted for FREE!! Remember state law requires that these items can no longer be taken to the Blackburn Landfill.

- ☉ Household cleaners
  - ☉ Paint Products
  - ☉ Televisions
  - ☉ Stereos & VCRs
  - ☉ Pesticides
  - ☉ Fertilizers
  - ☉ Metallic mercury
  - ☉ Pool chemicals
  - ▲ Computer monitors
  - ☉ Automotive products
  - ☉ Batteries
- AND MUCH MORE


### Questions:


Call Amanda Kain (828) 465-8217 [amandak@catawbacountync.gov](mailto:amandak@catawbacountync.gov)

## STORMWATER CORNER, YOUR RESOURCE FOR A CLEANER AND BETTER MAIDEN!


DO YOU KNOW THE TOP 5 REASONS THAT FERTILIZERS AND LAWN CLIPPINGS DON'T BELONG IN THE DRAIN?


- ☉ FERTILIZERS CAUSE ALGAE BLOOMS AND KILLS FISH IN OUR CREEKS AND STREAMS. THESE NOT ONLY SMELL BAD BUT CAN ALSO GROW OTHER BACTERIA.
- ☉ GRASS CLIPPINGS CLOG UP STORM DRAINS CAUSING THEM NOT TO WORK PROPERLY DURING RAIN / THUNDERSTORMS.
- ☉ GRASS CLIPPINGS AND OTHER DEBRIS UNDER CAR TIRES INCREASE ITS STOPPING DISTANCE ESPECIALLY IN AN EMERGENCY!
- ☉ OVERFLOWING STORM DRAINS CAUSE WATER TO POND IN THE ROADWAY INCREASING THE CHANCES OF A CAR TO HYDROPLANE.
- ☉ GRASS CLIPPINGS IN A STORM DRAIN CAN HOLD MOISTURE CREATING THE PERFECT HABITAT FOR BUGS AND MOLD.

 MAIDEN: REMEMBER TO DO YOUR PART TO HELP CONTROL THE MOSQUITO POPULATION. OUR CITIZENS ARE OUR MOST EFFECTIVE TOOL AGAINST THESE PESKY BITING BUGS. HERE ARE A FEW SIMPLE WAYS YOU CAN HELP CONTROL THEIR HABITAT.

 DUMP OUT STANDING WATER AFTER 2 DAYS.

 RECYCLE OLD TIRES AND OTHER ITEMS THAT ALLOW WATER TO STAND AFTER A RAIN STORM.

 MAINTAIN PROPER CHEMICAL LEVELS IN YOUR HOME POOL.

 USE MOSQUITO DUNKS (AVAILABLE AT MOST HARDWARE STORES) IN LARGE AREAS OF STANDING WATER SUCH AS FOUNTAINS.


## HELP PREVENT RESIDENTIAL SEWER SPILLS

Residents can help prevent sewer pipe problems by reducing the amount of oil and grease that are pored down the drain. Do you know the five common sources of oil and grease?

- ☉ COOKING OIL
- ☉ MEAT FATS
- ☉ BAKING GOODS
- ☉ FOOD SCRAPS
- ☉ BUTTER & MARGARINE

How can I reduce the amount of oil and grease pored down the drain? Allow oil & grease to cool then scrape it into a disposable container and place it in the trash.



 ARE YOU WORRIED YOU MAY FORGET TO PAY YOUR UTILITY BILL? THE UTILITY DEPARTMENT OFFERS AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFTS OF YOUR BILL FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE. DRAFTS ARE PROCESSED ON THE 15TH OF EACH MONTH. FORMS ARE AVAILABLE AT TOWN HALL OR ON OUR