

WEDDINGTON JOURNAL

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Providence Road Sunflowers

If you have taken a drive through the southern portion of Weddington within the past couple of weeks, you have probably noticed the expansive sunflower fields bordering Providence Road. In an effort to pay it forward, the Roots Farm family has gifted the local community with a field of sunflowers for the second season in a row.

For three weeks, commuters have enjoyed the flowers as they passed between Weddington, Waxhaw, and Marvin. The local land owners welcomed visitors to the field in an effort to give back to the community for the benefit of the common good.

Randy Peterson, a representative of Roots Farm, shared several inspiring stories with us about the visitors who have come from near and far, not only for a photo opportunity but to experience the sea of yellow, full of bees and butterflies.

Guests, both young and old, have embraced the opportunity to spend some time in nature and walk amongst the sunflowers. Planting such a field is no small feat; over 200 pounds of sunflower seeds were planted not once, but twice this season to achieve the bountiful field of flowers. According to Peterson, it was worth the effort to be a good neighbor and see the smiles on the faces of all the guests.



Optimist Park Debuts New Turf Fields

The brand new, state-of-the-art turf soccer fields at Optimist Park are complete and ready for the WCWAA Fall 2019 season.

WCWAA (Wesley Chapel Weddington Athletic Association) recreational sports are played at Optimist Park, which is located off Highway 84 in the Town of Weddington, bordering Wesley Chapel.

Optimist Park has multiple phases, the first of which was purchased and developed by Weddington Optimist Club. WCWAA owns the lower half of the park and rents part of the upper half of the property from the Optimist Club. WCWAA is a pri-

vate, non-profit organization, funded entirely by its members, gifts, and sponsorship partners. The members are parents and guardians of active youth program participants.

The new turf fields will be available to all athletic levels within the WCWAA soccer program, including Micro, Recreation, Challenge and Classic Teams. The new fields will be mostly maintenance free, for an overall cost savings to the association. In addition to the fields, a large kicking wall was installed along the entrance. The turf fields are a wonderful addition to Weddington and will be enjoyed for years to come by the Town of Weddington's youth and their families.



NC Special Election Voting Information

North Carolina's 9th Congressional District special election is coming up. Here are some important facts and dates as you prepare to cast your vote.

The voter registration deadline was August 16th. The General Election will take place on September 10, 2019 and polling locations will be open to the public from 6:30 AM – 7:30 PM. If you are voting in person, you will not be required to show your photo ID.

Early voting will be available through September 6th. Absentee ballot requests were due by September 3rd and must be returned by September 10th.

For more information about voting in Union County, please call 704-283-3710 or visit the [Union County Board of Elections website](#).




Weddington High School 2019 Varsity Football Schedule

August 23, 2019	Ardrey Kell	H	7:30pm
August 30, 2019	Porter Ridge	A	7:30pm
September 6, 2019	South Meck	A	7:00pm
September 13, 2019	Catawba Ridge	H	7:30pm
September 27, 2019	Sun Valley	H	7:30pm
October 4, 2019	Charlotte Catholic	H	7:30pm
October 11, 2019	Piedmont	A	7:30pm
October 18, 2019	Parkwood	H	7:30pm
October 25, 2019	Marvin Ridge	A	7:30pm
November 1, 2019	Monroe	A	7:30pm
November 8, 2019	Cuthbertson	H	7:30pm



Union County SENIOR WELLNESS EXPO 2019

Free admission, 80+ vendors, health screenings, door prizes, refreshments, & MORE



**OCTOBER 3, 2019
9AM - NOON**

Union County Agricultural Center
3230 Presson Rd, Monroe

FOR QUESTIONS, EMAIL COUNCIL ON AGING IN UNION COUNTY
EXPO@COAUNION.ORG

Message from the Mayor

The shorter days and somewhat cooler evenings are a sign that fall is approaching. Hopefully, the hot humid days of summer are behind us and we can look forward to the exciting activities of fall; football games, beautiful colored leaves, and pumpkins. We brought the summer to an end with our first-ever, School Tools Drive. Although the weather did not cooperate, we still managed to collect almost 50 backpacks and a great deal of school supplies which will be delivered to the Union County Title 1 Schools. Thank you for your generous donations!

Looking ahead, the upcoming activities include the Fall Litter Sweep and the Annual Christmas Tree Lighting. Be on the lookout for more details.

As always, our town staff continues to work hard to maintain the integrity of the town and our ordinances. Please remember that they are here to help so feel free to call for any concerns or questions.

Happy Fall,

Mayor, Elizabeth Callis

Town of Weddington's
LITTER SWEEP

The Town of Weddington's bi-annual Litter Sweep campaign is a roadside litter cleanup drive sponsored by the town in conjunction with the NC Department of Transportation's litter removal initiative.

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21st
8:00 AM**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Volunteers & community groups will meet at Weddington Town Hall;

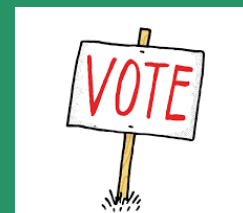
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Trash bags, gloves, and orange safety vests will be provided. Coffee and donuts will be served. There will be two drawings for the most unusual trash items collected. Please contact Town Hall at 704-846-2709 if you are willing to help!

Guidelines for Campaign Signs

Election season is on the horizon and with that comes the display of campaign signage. All campaign signs within Town limits should abide by the official Town of Weddington Signage Ordinance as follows:

- Persons may place signs within the street/road right-of-way no sooner than 30 days prior to "one-stop" early voting and shall be removed by the candidates within ten days after the primary or election day.
- Permission must be granted from any property owner of a residence, business, or religious institution fronting the right-of-way where a sign would be erected.
- No sign shall be closer than three feet from the edge of the pavement of the road.
- No sign shall obscure motorist visibility at an intersection.
- No sign shall be higher than 42 inches above the edge of the pavement of the road.
- No sign shall be larger than 864 square inches.
- No sign shall obscure or replace another sign.



Council Recap

The Town Council has adopted an updated Land Use Plan. The plan includes (1) the community's vision, goals, policies and land use recommendations, (2) implementation and administration, and (3) a context for planning that summarizes existing conditions, trends, and issues facing the community and establishes the setting for the plan and the basis for its goals and policies. The town is aware of the fact that we cannot prohibit new growth from occurring. Thus, a primary goal is to maintain the rural character as new growth occurs. The plan continues to support the less than 1-acre density and land uses that establish and maintain a healthy relationship between the developing community and the environment. A copy of the plan and land use map can be found here: <https://www.townofweddington.com/planning-documents-and-maps>

The Town Council voted to modify changes to the CTP (Comprehensive Transportation Plan) which is a

long-term multi-modal strategy for transportation improvements. It includes highway/street improvements, public transit and rail, bicycle and pedestrian plans. The Comprehensive Transportation Plan is the framework for selecting future projects for the Metropolitan Transportation Plan and eventually the TIP (funded projects) through the local Charlotte Regional Transportation Planning Organization. The change was to remove a proposed road connecting Weddington Matthews Road to Forest Lawn. The proposed road would have brought a thoroughfare through existing residential areas where, in some cases, there are private roads. A connection road from Forest Lawn to Potter is still included on the plan. To see the proposed changes, visit: <https://www.ncdot.gov/initiatives-policies/Transportation/stip/development/Documents/2020-2029-draft-stip.pdf>

Town Council meetings take place at Town Hall the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 PM.

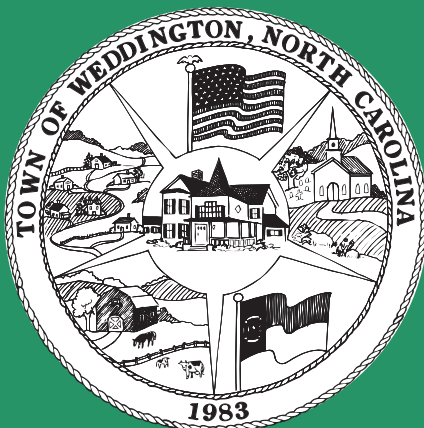


Mark your Calendar!

Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Friday, November 22nd from 5-9PM

More information coming soon.



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