



CITY GRAM



Spring 2013

Adopt-a-COP

On December 10, 2012, officers of the Graham Police Department Patrol Division were assigned to various schools within the City of Graham to include North Graham Elementary, South Graham Elementary, River Mill Academy and Alamance Christian School. The mission of the officers will be to begin building relationships with students, staff and parents that extend beyond the boundaries of the school campus. These relationships are to support the sense of security as well as affording students, staff and parents with a direct resource as it relates to the Graham Police Department and the law enforcement community. It has been proven that the mere presence of law enforcement can prevent crime. This proactive approach is designed to support the existing safety procedures in place by the Alamance Burlington School System. As our officers are visiting their designated schools they will be working closely with school administrators, counselors, teachers and students in addressing safety concerns, student behavioral issues, as well as increased classroom interaction. Officers will also be assigned to Graham Middle School, Graham High School and Ray Street Academy in order to support the existing Graham Police Department School Resource Officer program that is already in place at these locations.



Garage/Yard Sales

It's that time of year again to start planning your garage/yard sales! Here are a few helpful reminders:

- The City of Graham allows 3 garage/yard sales per property per calendar year.
- Permits are required for garage/yard sales and can be obtained at the Graham Municipal Building free of charge.
- Garage/Yard sales shall be limited to daylight hours Monday through Saturday, no more than three consecutive days and prohibited on Sunday.
- Two signs of not more than four square feet each are permitted on the property of the residence where the garage/yard sale is being conducted.
- No sign or other form of advertisement shall be exhibited for more than two days prior to the day of the sale is to commence and must be removed each day at the close of the garage/yard sale activities or by the end of daylight, whichever occurs first.
- Signs placed on telephone poles or in a public right of way are prohibited!

ALAMANCE COUNTY HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE COLLECTION

It will be held April 20th from 8 am—1 pm. The location is at the Burlington Fire Training Facility. The address is 100 Stone Quarry Road Haw River near the Burlington Animal Shelter. This year they are accepting more than just paint related materials & pesticides!



This includes the following:

Household cleaners, drain openers, oven cleaners
Brake fluid, antifreeze, used motor oil (5 gal. limit)
Filters, gasoline, weed killers, aerosols, poisons
Acids, bases, kerosene, batteries, fluorescent tubes
Photographic chemicals, pool chemicals, mercury
Solvents, thinners, shellacs, sealers, varnishes
Sealers, wood preservatives
Latex & oil based paint, spray paint

For more information please call the Alamance County Landfill at (336) 376-8902.

FALL ATHLETICS PROGRAM REGISTRATION DATES 2013

Fall Outdoor Soccer—June 3rd—July 12th, Boys & Girls ages 4-17.
Tackle Football—June 3rd—July 12th, Boys & Girls ages 6-12.
Youth Football Cheerleading—June 3rd—July 12th, Boys and Girls ages 6-12.
Youth Football Camp—May 13th-June 14th- Boys & Girls 6-12.

For more information, visit GrahamRecreationAndParks.com, call 336-570-6718 or e-mail adavis@cityofgraham.com.

COMMUNITY CAMPFIRES:

Come explore the parks of Graham during our Community Campfire events! FREE to the public! S'mores and hot chocolate will be available while supplies last.

Friday, March 15, 7-8 pm at Bill Cooke Park at 1010 Townbranch Road.

Friday, April 19, 7-8 pm at South Graham Park at 1609 Rogers Road.

Visit GrahamRecreationAndParks.com or call 336-513-5510 for more information.

Graham/Mebane Lake Hours of Operation

March-October

Mon. Wed.-Sat. Open Dawn-Dusk
Sunday Open 1pm-Dusk

November & February

Saturday Open Dawn-Dusk
Sunday Open 1 pm-Dusk

December & January - CLOSED

Call 919-563-6544

Recreation and Parks

CATFISH TOURNAMENTS: May 4, June 22, & July 27. For more detailed information about the tournaments please call 919-563-6544.

YOUTH FISHING DERBY: A kid's fishing derby will be held Saturday, June 1st from 9:00am-1:00pm at the Graham Mebane Lake. The event is for children ages 4-15 and will be free with lunch provided for youth participants. Prizes will be awarded! No fishing pole? No problem! There will be several there to use on a first come first serve basis. Day of registration will be 8-8:30 am on June , but pre-registration is encouraged. Register at the Graham-Mebane Lake, online at GrahamRecreationAndParks.com or call 336.513.5510.



RUN FOR THE HAW!

Run for the HAW 5K/10K will be held on Saturday, May 25, 2013 at 8 a.m. For more detailed information please visit GrahamRecreationAndParks.com or call 336-513-5510.

Graham Walks is an opportunity for you, your friends and family to get some exercise. Morning walks are from 11:30-1pm.(Downtown Graham). Evening walks are from 5- 6:30 pm at Bill Cooke Park. **Graham Walks** will be every Thursday from April 25th through May 30th. Regular participants will receive prizes after certain walking goals are met. For more information call Carlyn Sautter at 513-5510 .www.GrahamRecreationAndParks.com



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Find us on Facebook by searching "Graham Recreation and Parks Department."



Graham Recreation & Parks now offers online registration at www.GrahamRecreationAndParks.com
Questions? Call the Graham Recreation and Parks Department at 336.570.6718

Purchase your tickets now for the...

Graham Sports Hall of Fame & Hall of Honor

Congratulations to the '13 Hall of Fame Inductees: Wayne Riggan, Gary Moser, Bob Boswell, & the 2000 Graham High School Football Team— & the '13 Hall of Honor Inductees: Robert Wilson & Lem Teer!

Induction Ceremony will be held Sat., April 13, 2013 at 6pm
Graham Recreation Center—311 College Street
Tickets are \$20 each, including dinner
Coat and Tie Attire

Tickets on sale now at Graham City Hall!



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Why is Stormwater runoff a problem?

Stormwater runoff carries dirt, grime, fertilizers, oil, gas and everything else we leave on the ground into our streams and water bodies. This stormwater runoff can result in rivers, lakes, and streams being too dirty to fish in, to swim in, or to drink from. It can increase levels of fecal bacteria in the water, excess nutrients in the water causing algae to bloom and kill fish. All this can increase water treatment costs. The most visible consequence of stormwater runoff is flash flooding and the damage it brings. As land is developed, more and more stormwater runs directly to streams or rivers; sometimes more water than streams and rivers can hold. The additional water overflows and may flood streets, businesses and homes.



Saturday, May 11th, 2013
Yee Haw! Family Paddle & River Race—for all ages and abilities!

Starts at 2pm
\$20 for adults, \$10 for youth 12 & under
Paddle Route: Saxapahaw Lake.

For more info, registration or boat rentals please visit TheHaw.org/yeehaw.htm or call 336.229.2410.

THURSDAY AT SEVEN CONCERT SERIES

Downtown Graham 7-9pm, FREE

MAY 23 ERIC AND THE CHILL TONES
JUNE 27 THE PIZAZZ BAND
JULY 25 THE BAND OF OZ
AUG. 22 THE HOLIDAY BAND
SEPT. 26 THE HIP POCKET BAND

ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION:

Arbor Day celebration will be April 20th at the Alamance Children's Museum in conjunction with Earth Day celebration from 1:00-3:00pm. There will be free educational and hands-on activities for children that include potting a plant, learning about growth of trees and taking home a live tree seedling. This event is part of Graham's status as a



FATS, OILS AND GREASE "FOG"

What is FOG? FOG includes animal fats, vegetable fats, and oils used to cook or prepare food. FOG is a solid which will ultimately create an obstruction in the sewer system if not properly disposed. We all need to do our part because FOG can have a very negative impact. It can cause serious damage to the sewage system and your property as well as damage to streets and waterways from sewage overflows. Cleanup can be very costly.

Where does FOG come from?

FOG comes from meat, fats, lard, oil, shortening, butter, margarine, food scraps, sauces and dairy products. When washed down the drain, FOG sticks to the inside of sewer pipes. Over time FOG can block entire pipes, and lead to serious problems. FOG drips off scraps that make their way into the sink and the garbage disposal. Washing dishes can also cause FOG to get into the pipes if they aren't wiped off properly before washing them.

What happens to FOG?

It creates blockages within the sewer system. It can cause raw sewage to overflow into homes, yards and streets. It can lead to exposure to disease-causing organisms. An increase in operation and maintenance can bring about higher sewer bills.

2013 CITY OF GRAHAM RECYCLING SCHEDULE:

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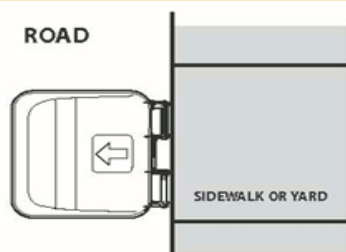
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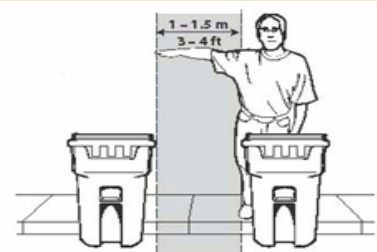
When placing garbage and recycling carts, please remember:



Park it



Point it



Space it

The City Gram provides residents with information concerning City happenings. Comments or questions may be made to City of Graham, PO Drawer 357, Graham, NC 27253 or call 336-570-6705.

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Holiday Garbage Schedule

FRIDAY, MARCH 29 2013, GOOD FRIDAY: There will be no garbage collection on Friday March 29th. Friday routes will be collected on Monday, April 1st.

Monday, May 27, 2013, Memorial Day collection will follow regular schedule.

Thursday, July 4, 2013, Independence Day. No garbage collection. Thursday & Friday routes collected Friday, July 5th.

Monday, September 2, 2013, Labor Day collections follow the regular schedule.



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