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Drone Fly-In at

Smithfield's Drone Field October 8th

The Town of Smithfield will hold a Drone Fly-in Event at Gertrude Johnson Park (1222 W. Market St.) on Saturday, October 8th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The event, sponsored by Nine-Ten Drones, Aloft, Zipline, Duke Energy and Blue Mountain Drones, will give attendees the opportunity to learn more about drones and their impact on local communities. In addition, there will be drone flight demos, a drone student competition, and drone racing.

Learn more about flying drones in the Town of Smithfield at our website: **www.smithfield-nc.com/page/drones**.

Faith & Blue Community Event at Smith-Collins Park

The Smithfield Police Department is partnering with LifeSpring Church to host Faith and Blue weekend on Saturday, October 8th at Smith-Collins Park (909 East Lee Street). From 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., citizens can enjoy a free pigpickin', pumpkin painting, bounce houses, popcorn, cotton candy and more.



National Faith & Blue weekend was launched to facilitate safer, stronger, more just and unified communities by directly enabling local partnerships among law enforcement professionals, residents, businesses and community groups through the connections of local faith-based organizations. At the heart of this initiative is the reinforcement of connections between law enforcement professionals and the communities they serve through the reach of houses of worship. These connections are built through activities that are held in neighborhoods of every kind across the united states, jointly hosted by houses of worship and local law enforcement entities.

For more information, visit www.faithandblue.org.



Ava Gardner 100th Birthday Celebration October 7-9

To commemorate Ava's 100th birthday, the 2022 Ava Gardner Festival (October 7-9) will celebrate the many facets of her life. From her rural upbringing in North Carolina to her five-decade career as a global film star, from her great loves to her exciting experiences living abroad, the festival will showcase the full breadth of Ava Gardner's incredible life and bold personality. View a complete timeline of events for the festival *HERE*.

The festivities will continue throughout 2023 as the museum celebrates Ava's centennial year with special programming and virtual offerings designed to honor Ava's many contributions to film, fashion, and philanthropy.



Stories and S'mores at Smithfield Parks and Rec

Join us at Smithfield Community Park on Saturday, October 15th at 6:15pm for Stories and S'mores.

We'll have the campfire going and are looking forward to sharing stories and yummy treats. Twenty spots are open for children ages 5-13.

Cost is \$10 per Smithfield resident (\$15 for non-residents). Pre-registration is required

at <u>www.sraconline.com</u> or call 919-934-2148 for additional information.

Youth Basketball Signups

Registration is underway for Smithfield Parks and Recreation basketball! Evaluations will be held after Thanksgiving with practices beginning in December and games starting January 2023.

Age groups available: (your child's age on 12/31/2022 determines playing age)

Co-Ed: 6u

Girls: 8u, 10u, 12u Boys: 8u, 10u, 12u, 15u

Home games will be held on Saturday mornings and played at either the Smithfield Recreation and Aquatics Center (SRAC) or Smithfield Middle School. Older age groups may travel to local communities for away games.

Registration fees are \$25 for residents and \$50 for non-residents. Register at <u>srac.clubautomation.com</u> or call 919-94-2148 for additional information.



Halloween Fun

The "Boo Bash" will take place at the Sarah Yard Community Center (909 East Lee St.) on Friday, October 28th from 4:30-6:30pm.

Join us for great food, games and lots of fun!



We'll also be hosting our annual "Trunk or Treat" at Smithfield Community Park on Saturday, October 29th, from 10:30am-12:30pm. Make sure the kids come dressed in their costumes!



Businesses, churches, non-profits, or individual families wishing to host a trunk should contact <u>tiffany.pearson@smithfield-nc.com</u> or call 919-934-2148. All trunks will provide an unopened bag of individually wrapped candy with a decorated car trunk. Prizes will be awarded for the best decorated trunk.



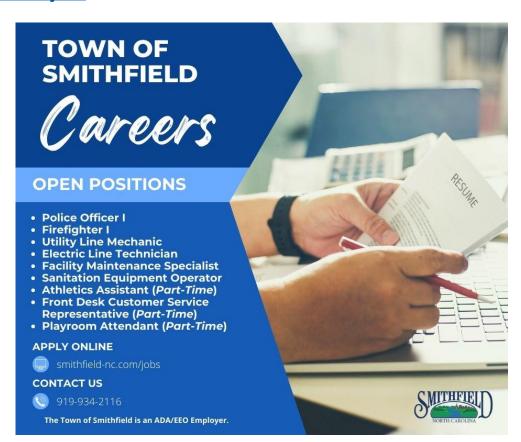


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If you've ever considered a career with local government, NOW is the time to make a change. We currently have openings in our Police, Fire, Public Works, and Parks and Recreation Departments. Enjoy outstanding benefits, including full health care coverage, NC State Retirement plan, free membership to the Smithfield Recreation and Aquatics Center and more.

View complete job descriptions and download an application atsmithfield-

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