

From the Clocktower

a newsletter from the City of New Bern

April 2024

Visit our website at www.newbernnc.gov or call us at (252)636-4000

Meeting Schedule

Please note: Planning & Zoning & Board of Adjustment have changed their monthly meeting day/date.

Municipal Service District Work Session	April 2*
Board of Aldermen	April 9 & 23
Redevelopment Commission	April 10
Historic Preservation Commission	April 17
Planning & Zoning	April 18
Board of Adjustment	April 25

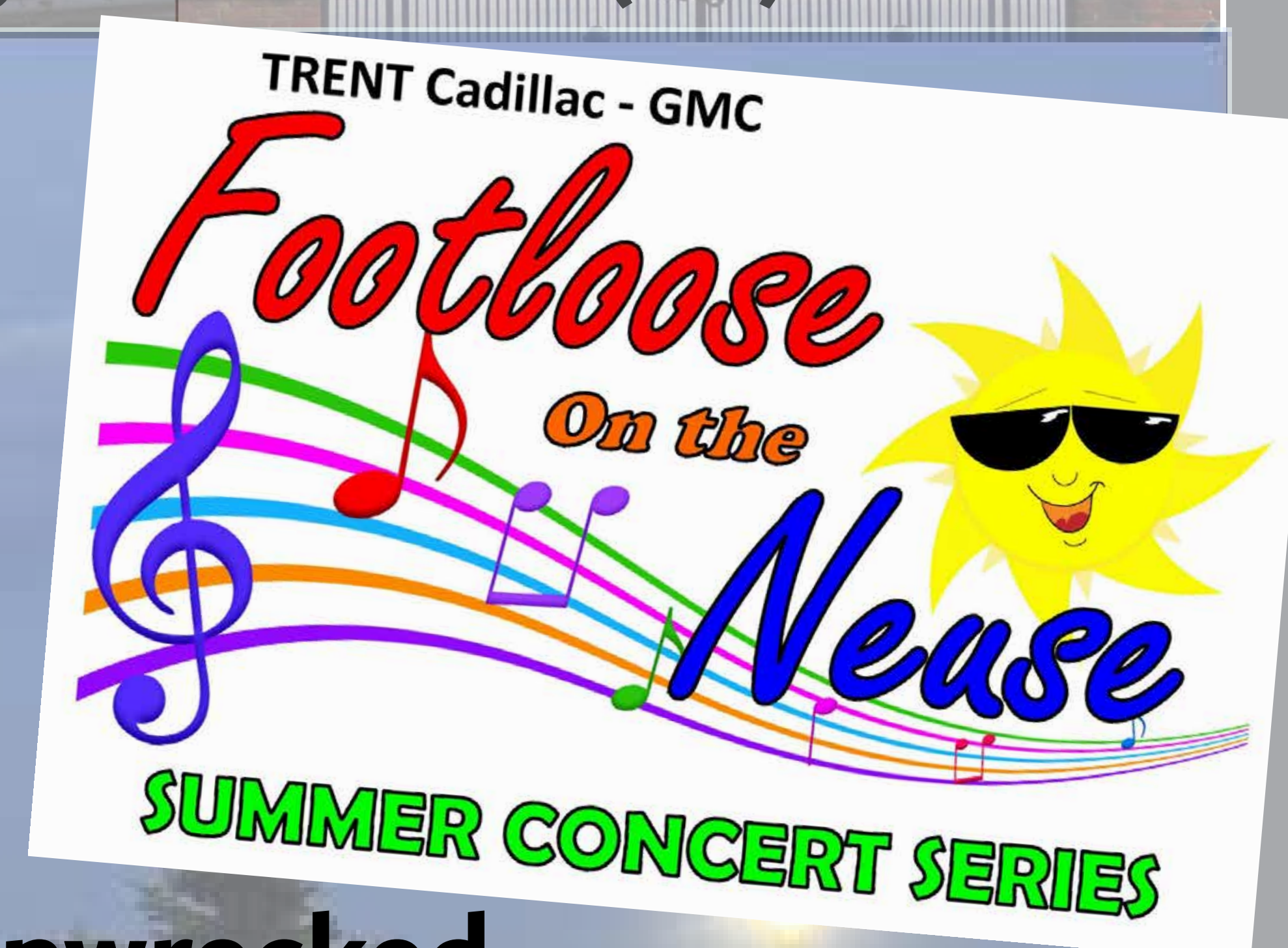
Meetings subject to change or cancellation based on quorum requirements or lack of business.

*MSD meetings will now be held at the New Bern Area Chamber of Commerce, located at 316 S. Front Street.

Footloose on the Neuse Summer 2024 Schedule!

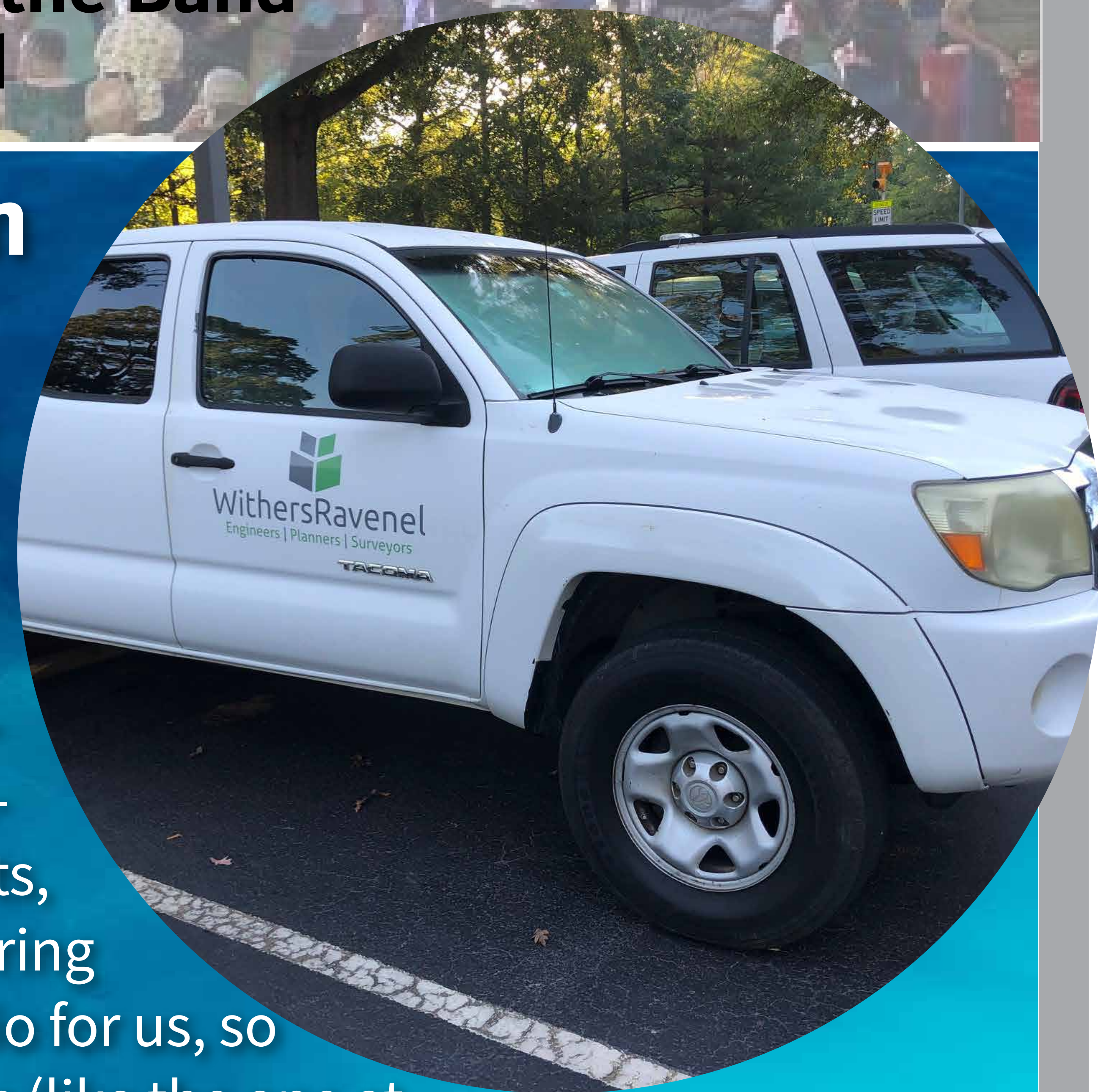
MARK YOUR CALENDAR!
Fridays at Union Point Park, 6:30pm

- May 24: Trial by Fire
- June 7: Thurston Howell Band
- June 21: Captain Mike & the Shipwrecked
- July 12: Landslide - a Tribute to Fleetwood Mac
- August 9: On the Border - the Ultimate Eagles Tribute
- August 30: Joe Brown & the Band
- September 20: I-42 Band



Stormwater System Inventory

Public Works is starting a stormwater System Inventory project this month that is expected to last through July. This project will include assessing & measuring stormwater infrastructure including pipes, manholes, culverts, etc. WithersRavenel, an engineering firm, will be performing the audio for us, so you may see their crews & trucks (like the one at right) on the roads. WithersRavenel staff will carefully assess this stormwater infrastructure using rights-of-way, easements & common areas as much as possible. We do not expect any major traffic impacts or street closures during this inventory project. For questions about the project, call Public Works at (252)639-7501.



Keep New Bern
CLEAN
WE CAN'T BEAR LITTER!



Next Community Cleanup April 10, 3-4pm Oaks Road

Meet up at Pierce Park, 545 Neuse Avenue

Join us as we "Keep New Bern Clean" on Wednesday, April 10 along Oaks Road. We'll meet up at Pierce Park for a safety brief, then grab safety vests, bags, gloves & trash pickers for our litter cleanup. The "Keep New Bern Clean" program is an annual campaign aimed at reducing litter in our community, encouraging recycling & educating the public on proper trash disposal & how to care for our environment. Our first litter cleanup along Pine Tree Drive was a big success! 23 people showed up on a beautiful March



afternoon to help us pick up trash & debris. We collected 28 bags! Many thanks to our fire & police departments for keeping us safe during the cleanup.

Changed My Clocks... Can't Change My Batteries!

Dear Chief Locklear,

I write to you to express my sincere appreciation for the team at New Bern Fire Station 2 (W. Thurman). My husband doesn't want me on ladders so when we had great difficulty with our smoke detectors, I contacted the station & Captain Heckman & his crew were most willing to help. They replaced all the batteries with ones we had purchased. Unfortunately, the detectors went off again & the crew came again to assist. I was so impressed with their professionalism & dedication. You have a great group of men in Station 2 & I thank you & them for all they do.

With enormous gratitude ~E. King, New Bern Resident



Congratulations!

Here are the results of the New Bern Fire-Rescue "Hope for Harrison" Fire Truck Pull last month. Teams had to pull a 40,000+ pound fire truck 100 feet in the fastest time possible. Thanks to all who participated!

Open Division

- 1st Place: Cherry Point Fire Department (20.37 seconds!)
- 2nd Place: New Bern Fire-Rescue (21.41)
- 3rd Place: Craven County Sheriff's SRT Team (21.97)

Women's Division

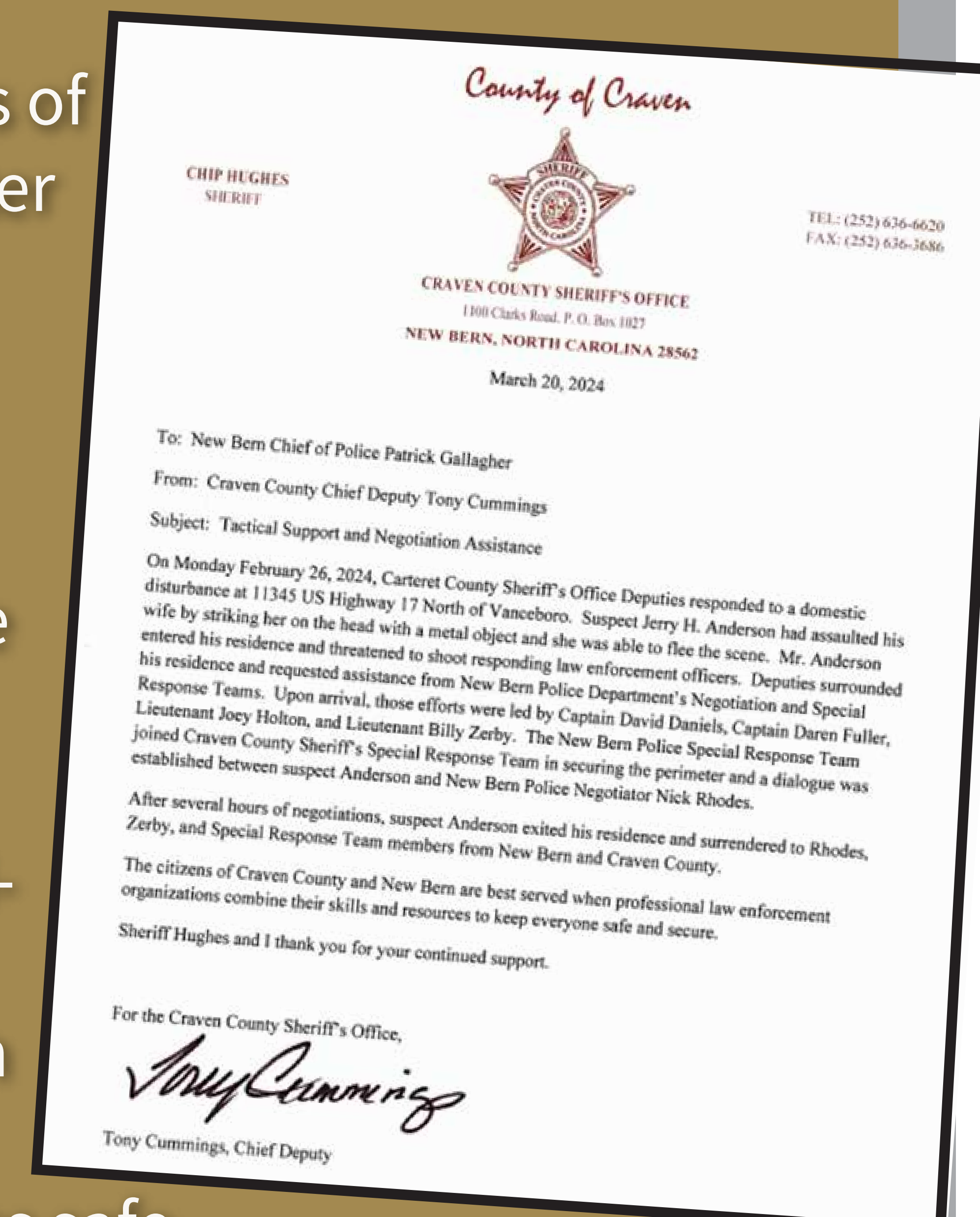
- 1st Place: Light It Up (26.78)
- 2nd Place: 5 iPhones & a Poor Person (30.53)



"The citizens of Craven County & New Bern are best served when professional law enforcement organizations combine their skills & resources to keep everyone safe & secure."

~Tony Cummings, Chief Deputy
Craven County Sheriff's Office

On February 26, Craven County Sheriff's deputies requested assistance from the New Bern Police Department during a domestic disturbance near Vanceboro. A suspect had assaulted his wife & barricaded himself inside his home. With the help of New Bern Police, law enforcement surrounded the home & began communicating with the suspect. Thanks to captains Daniels & Fuller, Lt. Holton, Sgt. Zerby & Det. Rhodes, the suspect surrendered peacefully after hours of negotiations. In a letter from Craven County Chief Deputy Tony Cummings, he commended our staff for their actions & for the ongoing partnership between the two agencies. We appreciate the letter & are proud to partner with the sheriff's office to keep our communities safe.



NEW BERN PARKS & RECREATION

KIDS Night Out 2024

Kids ages 5-12

Parents enjoy a night out with the assurance that your children are in a fun, safe environment.

West New Bern
Recreation Center
1225 Pinetree Drive
6pm-10pm

Upcoming Dates:

- ✓ April 19
- ✓ May 10



\$25 RESIDENT
\$35 NON-RESIDENT

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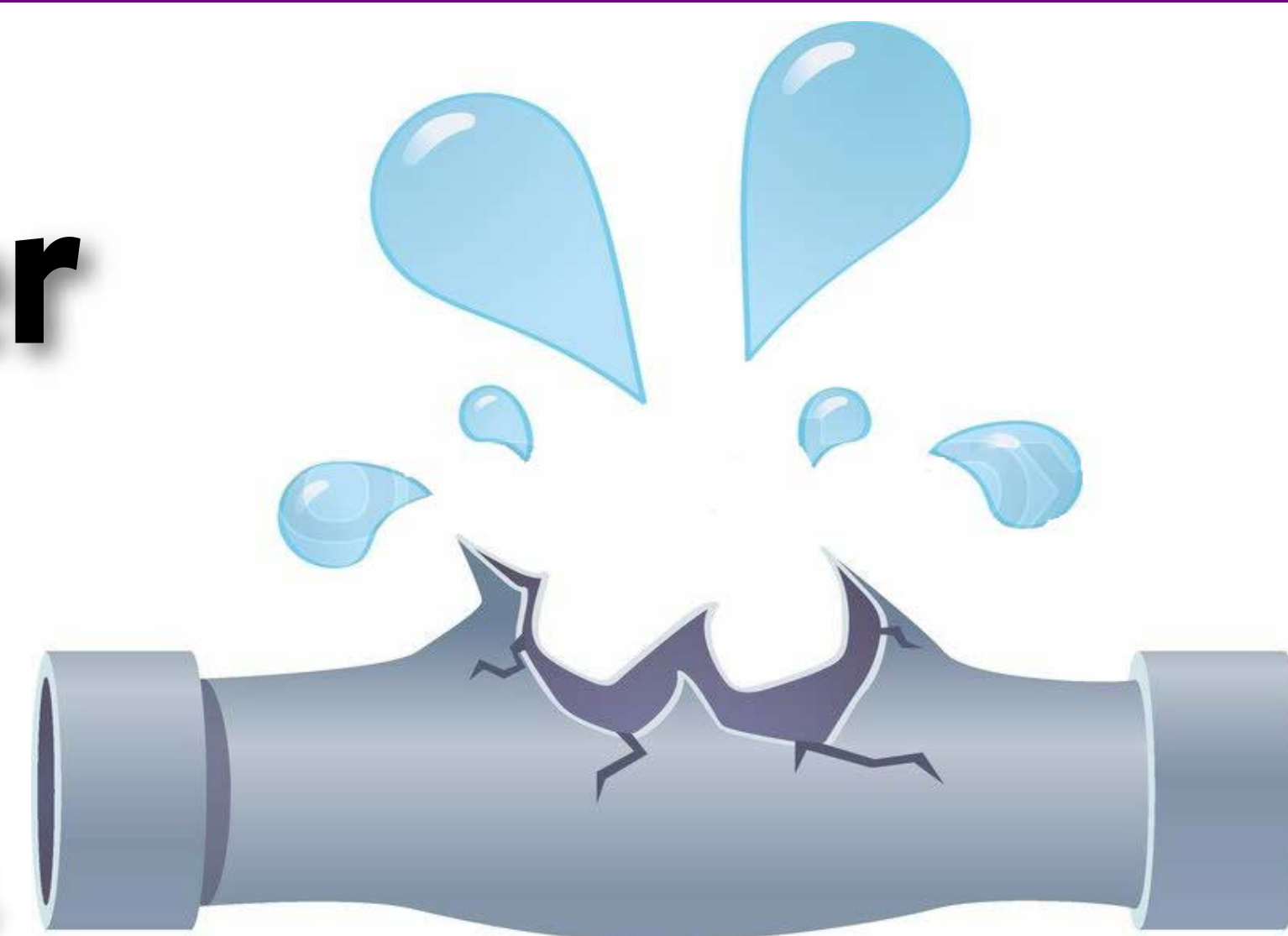
For info, call (252)639-2912

Parks & Recreation is hosting a Kids Night Out that's fun for the kids & the parents! While the adults enjoy a night out, the kids enjoy pizza, fun & games at West New Bern Recreation Center on Pinetree Drive. Kids Night Out lasts from 6-10pm. Dates are Friday, April 19 & Friday, May 10. Register online by visiting the Parks & Recreation page at www.NewBernNC.gov.

Have a power, water or sewer emergency? Report it!

Call us at (252)639-2727*

*Please make note of this new phone number.



Looking for a few good bears...



Calling all bears looking for a job - come work for us! Scan the QR code or visit our website for access to all current openings with the City of New Bern. Apply online from your smartphone!

- Human Resources Technician
- Summer Camp Counselor
- Head Lifeguard
- Fire Specialist/FS1 & more!

Apply online at www.NewBernNC.gov

City 3 TV Upgrade

Heads up! City 3 TV will be off the air for several hours on Tuesday, April 2 as we install new equipment. Our online video library will remain intact at www.NewBernNC.gov/City3TV. We apologize for the inconvenience.



NEW BERN PARKS AND RECREATION

Festival of Fun

Saturday, April 13, 2024

10AM-3PM

Union Point Park
New Bern, NC

NEW BERN PARKS & RECREATION

Enjoy Arts & Crafts, Fun Games, Great Food, Inflatables
Kid friendly vendors and special entertainment!

For additional information, visit our Parks & Recreation page at www.NewBernNC.gov or call 252-639-2912

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