

TOWN OF HAVERHILL

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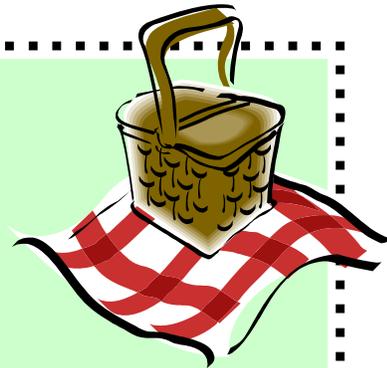


TOWN OF HAVERHILL ANNUAL PICNIC

Join us for the festivities! Great food!
Music! Games! Prizes! Raffles!

Vendor Information Booths. Don't
miss the Dessert Contest and Egg
Drop Contest. The first 50 adult
residents receive a FREE tee shirt!

Come on down to Town Hall for an old-fashioned
neighborhood picnic. Rain or Shine!



Town of Haverhill

Annual Hometown Neighborhood Picnic

Town Hall— 4585 Charlotte Street

Saturday, April 9, 2011

11:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

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The dessert contest is open to all residents of Haverhill.
Enter your favorite dessert in one of three categories:

- *Cake
- *Cookie, Brownie or Bar
- *Pie

Prizes for each category! Call Town Hall at 561-689-0370, ext. 21 for Rules and Requirements.



Call the Town for Egg Drop Contest Rules



STOP CRIME WITH THESE SECURITY TIPS AND LEARN HOW TO STAY SAFE

Crime is on the increase in most large U.S. Cities. It is also becoming more prevalent in small communities. Thinking that it can only happen to someone else and doing nothing to prepare yourself, or take precautionary measures, makes you the perfect victim. Making yourself less of a target is simpler than you might think.

Protect your vehicle. Help stop vehicle burglaries and theft of vehicle rims. Make sure you have a locking device on your rims and the key is placed in a secure location. Lock your pick-up truck's tail gate. Do not leave valuables lying out in plain view in your car. Place them in the trunk or glove compartment.

If you see suspicious activity, call the Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office at 561-688-3000 or, in an emergency, dial 9-1-1.

Cybercrime. Cybercrime is increasing as many countries do not have strict laws against online crimes. Installing anti-virus, anti-spyware, and other security programs is not a full-proof method for stopping unwanted intrusions. If the software is poorly written or not regularly updated, the information stored in the computer remains or becomes vulnerable to these attacks. The false sense of security can lull people into not remaining vigilant. Make sure the programs you install are of very good quality by doing business with a reputable company. Contact the Better Business Bureau for more information at www.bbb.org.

STAY ALERT, STAY SAFE!



Council Member Lawrence Gordon

WELCOME LAWRENCE GORDON TOWN COUNCIL MEMBER SEAT 4

Lawrence Gordon was sworn into office on March 10, 2011 after being elected to Town Council Seat 4 on March 8, 2011. Mr. Gordon has been a resident of Haverhill since 1996. He and his wife Salesia Smith Gordon reside in the Briarwood subdivision. Mr. Gordon joined the Law Firm of Lytal, Reiter et al in 1991 after a

successful career as an insurance

adjuster/negotiator. He received his BS degree Magna Cum Laude from Jackson State University and went on to graduate from Jackson State with honors in 1974 after receiving his Masters Degree. He has been the recipient of many prestigious awards and is very active in several professional organizations. He has

offered to serve on many of the Town's Committees in addition to his Council Member responsibilities. Mr. Gordon's wealth of knowledge and his love for Haverhill will make for a winning combination! We wish Mr. Gordon the best during his first term in office!

WELCOME TO OUR NEW RESIDENTS

The Town of Haverhill welcomes all of our new residents to our Town. The Town follows the Code of Ordinances of the Town of Haverhill, which has property maintenance standards and includes parking rules and regulations, as well as trash and garbage standards. The Code of Ordinances of the Town can be viewed at www.municode.com. For additional questions, please call Joe Roche, Code Enforcement Officer, at 561-689-0370, ext. 23.



REVISED ANIMAL CONTROL REGULATIONS

The Town of Haverhill, through the adoption of Ordinance No. 351, had adopted Chapter 4 of Palm Beach County's Code of Ordinance entitled "Animals". This Ordinance was recently amended. This Amendment places additional requirements on pet shops and pet dealers to protect consumers; expands the definition of nuisance animals; revises provisions pertaining to animal establishments; requires all guard dogs services and individuals using guard dogs to obtain a permit, to comply with registration requirements, and to provide guard dogs with a humane existence; revises definitions; prohibits the tethering of animals as a means of confinement; amends manner of keeping regulations; revises provisions pertaining to hobby breeder permits; revises provisions pertaining to dangerous and vicious dogs; revises provisions pertaining to special master hearings; and revises provisions pertaining to violations. For a copy of the complete Ordinance, please visit our web site www.townofhaverhill-fl.gov.

BUILDING PERMITS AND LAND CLEARING/TREE REMOVAL PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

Building Department Permits are required for most home improvement projects, including electrical, plumbing, and driveway repair projects.

Failure to obtain a permit will result in fines up to four times the amount of the permit fee.

Land Clearing and Tree Removal Permits are also required. Permit fees vary, however the fee would be \$50.00 for the removal of up to three trees. Land Clearing permits or the removal of four or more trees would be charged at the minimum permit fee of \$79.00, or 3% of the estimated cost.

Please contact the Town Building Department at 689-0370, ext. 21, to determine if a permit is required for your intended improvement.

Building Department permit applications and fees can be found on the Town's website at www.townofhaverhill-fl.gov or at Town Hall.

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT IMPOSES PHASE II WATER RESTRICTIONS 2-Day-A-Week Watering

- Residents and businesses with an **odd-numbered** street address may water lawns and landscapes on **Wednesdays and/or Saturdays**, only **before 10 a.m. OR after 4 p.m.**
- Residents and businesses with an **even-numbered** street address, **no street address** or those that **irrigate both even and odd addresses** within the same zones, which may include multi-family units and homeowners associations, may water lawns and landscapes on **Thursdays and/or Sundays**, only **before 10 a.m. OR after 4 p.m.**

New Landscaping for 2-Day-A-Week and 3-Day-A-Week Watering:

- On the day new landscaping is installed, new plantings and the soil may be irrigated once without regard to the normally allowable watering days and times. Soil irrigation is also allowed immediately prior to planting.
- New plantings that have been in place for **30 days or less** may be watered on **Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays before 10 a.m. and/or after 4 p.m.**
- New plantings that have been in place **from 31 to 90 days** may be watered on **Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and/or Saturdays**, only **before 10 a.m. and/or after 4 p.m.**
- Irrigation is limited to the areas containing new landscaping only. An entire irrigation zone may be watered only if new landscaping is planted on at least 50 percent of that zone. If new landscaping is planted on less than 50 percent of an irrigation zone, only the new plantings may be watered.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

James E. Woods had presided over the Town Council six of the last seven years. First elected to Council in 2000, Mr. Woods served as Council President 2002-2003. After a one year hiatus, he once again accepted the gavel and he has continued to serve in that capacity until March 10, 2011 when Vice Mayor Jay Foy was nominated and accepted the nomination to serve as the Town's Mayor.

While residing over Council, Mr. Woods had overseen several Administrations. He has served as the Town's Council President, Strong Mayor and after the recent Charter change in 2009, the Town's first Mayor to be elected among the

sitting Council Members.

Mr. Wood's continued dedication and service to the Town is applauded. He has been the catalyst for many capital improvement projects and recent annexations. All his decisions have been, and will continue to be, for the betterment of the Town as well as the preservation of Haverhill's residential quality. Mr. Woods will continue to serve on Council as Vice Mayor where we can still count on him to plan, participate and oversee the Town's Special Events and serve as Master of Ceremonies!!!

Mayor Foy was first elected to Council in 1993 and served until 1997. After a one year break, he was again elected and has served ever since. Notably,

he has the distinct honor of Haverhill's longest sitting Council Member!

Mr. Foy's relentless efforts to maintain the residential characteristic of the Town, his goal for better water quality through improved drainage and storm water runoff, as well as his passionate fight against the widening of Belvedere Road should not go unnoticed.

Thank you Mayor Foy and Vice Mayor Woods for your untiring service to the Town of Haverhill. Along with fellow Council Members, Jerry Beavers, Mark Uptegraph and newly elected Lawrence Gordon, the residents of Haverhill should rest assured that they are being well served.



Left to right: Council Member Mark Uptegraph, Council Member Jerry Beavers, Mayor Jay Foy, Vice Mayor James Woods, Council Member Lawrence Gordon



RAINBARRELS - An eco friendly way to irrigate your lawn

A rain barrel is designed to collect water from your roof that is normally diverted to storm drains, restricted to one area or lost to evaporation. The rain barrel is a wonderful way to store water that can be used to water your lawn, garden, potted plants, etc. Use of the water captured in a rain barrel is limitless—and restriction free!! Using a rain barrel can save you hundreds of gallons during the summer months—a typical rainfall of 1/2" over a 1,000 sf roof can result in 300 gallons of collectible rainwater. Rain barrels can be purchased or you can design your own. Just be sure you build a base for your rain barrel in order to achieve gravity flow and easy access to your hose. Good Luck!!!

Some informative web sites to visit :

<http://www.cbf.org/Document.Doc?id=30>; http://www.epa.gov/owow/keep/NPS/toolbox/other/KSMO_buildrainbarrel.pdf; <http://www.swfwmd.state.fl.us/conservation/rainbarrel/make-a-rain-barrel.html>



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TOWN COUNCIL

JAY G. FOY, Mayor

JAMES E. WOODS, Vice Mayor

JERRY E. BEAVERS, Council Member

LAWRENCE GORDON, Council Member

MARK C. UPTEGRAPH, Council Member

TOWN OF HAVERHILL STAFF DIRECTORY

JANICE C. RUTAN, CMC, Town Administrator	561-699-0370, ext. 24
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JOSEPH M. ROCHE, Code Enforcement Officer	561-689-0370, ext. 23
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THE TOWN COUNCIL MEETS THE SECOND AND FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:00 P.M.

A TOWN COUNCIL WORKSHOP IS HELD THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT NOON

ALL MEETINGS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND PARTICIPATION IS ENCOURAGED

**Town Hall is open Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.**