



TOWN OF HAVERHILL WINTER 2013 NEWSLETTER

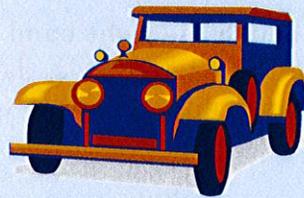


THE TOWN OF HAVERHILL
COUNCIL & STAFF WISH YOU A
VERY HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS
NEW YEAR!!!



TOWN OF HAVERHILL ANNUAL PICNIC AND THIRD ANNUAL CAR SHOW!

Join us for the festivities! Great food! Music! Games! Prizes!
and Vendor Information Booths! Come on down to Town Hall
for an old-fashioned neighborhood picnic. Rain or Shine!!



Where: Town Hall - 4585 Charlotte Street
Haverhill, FL 33417
When: Saturday, March 16, 2013
Picnic: 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Car Show: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
FOOD WILL BE SERVED UNTIL 2 P.M.



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Have you filed your Homestead Exemption!!

Did you know that the state of Florida offers a tax exemption of up to \$50,000 on the assessed value of qualified residential properties and there are a number of other exemptions that also may apply to your property? In order to qualify for those additional exemptions you must have an existing Homestead Exemption. So, if you have not done so already, the deadline to apply is March 1st of the qualifying year. For more information call the Property Appraiser's office at 561-355-2866 or contact them at www.myexemption@pbcbgov.org



MUNICIPAL ELECTION March 12, 2013



The Town of Haverhill will hold its Municipal Election on March 12, 2013 to elect Council Members for Seat 3, Seat 4 and Seat 5; each for a (2) two year term. Candidates must be a registered voter in the Town of Haverhill and a Town resident prior to the time of qualifying for candidacy. Qualifying is from NOON on January 29, 2013 to NOON on February 12, 2013. Electors of precincts 2046, 7136 and 7140 are qualified to vote in the Municipal Election. The polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. If a Runoff Election is necessary, it will be held on March 26, 2013 at the same times and precincts as listed above. You must be a registered voter in order to vote in the municipal election. If you are not yet registered to vote you may do so online through the Supervisor of Elections office website at www.pbcelections.org or in person at the Supervisor of Elections main office located at 240 South Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415 Office number: 561-656-6200. Also see a complete listing of other locations you can register on the Supervisor of Elections website. Residents interested in seeking candidacy can contact Janice Rutan at the Town Hall 561-689-0370, ext. 24.

2012 in the Town of Haverhill!!

The Town once again had another year of successful events and accomplishments. In January 2012 the Town had its first of two community yard sales that took place on the Town's ball field. The latest yard sale took place in December. The Annual Picnic took place on April 21, 2012 and our Halloween Event was on October 30th. Here is an overview of accomplishments that also took place in 2012!

Residential Rebate Program: This was a rebate program offered to residents for making energy savings modifications to their homes. A total of \$48,788 in grant funding was awarded to 24 qualified participants.

Town Hall Retrofit: Through an award of grant funding, the Town Hall was retrofitted with tinted impact windows, lighting fixtures, and other energy saving modifications including a new HVAC system!

Newly Renovated Shopping Plaza: Renovations to the commercial property on the corner of Military Trail and Charlotte St. were completed. The plaza includes two restaurants, a grocery store and other specialty shops.

Drainage Improvements for Briarwood Subdivision: Drainage improvements and resurfacing of the roads throughout the entire Briarwood subdivision were completed.

"Intersection Improvement Project": Although the right hand turn lane will be constructed at the NE intersection of Haverhill and Belvedere Roads, the Town was successful in removing the widening of Belvedere Road from Military Trail to Concord Avenue taken off of the County's 5 year Roadway Plan.

Haverhill Park Improvements: As a result of Tropical Storm Isaac, Palm Beach County was prompted to revisit the drainage at Haverhill Park and will make necessary improvements to protect the abutting neighbors from any repeat flooding issues. They will also be constructing a bike path that will connect the park to Club Road!

Millage Rate: The Town has continued to maintain its current millage rate of 4.000 while still completing capital improvement projects throughout the Town.

Sunset Isles: DR Horton's Sunset Isles site plan and project off of Belvedere Road was approved and construction began on 14 single family homes.

Controlled Crime: The Town continues to work with PBSO to patrol our Town to keep crime under control in Haverhill.

Read for the Record: With Town Council support, Mayor Foy, Council Member Jerry Beavers and Town Administrator Janice Rutan participated in the Read for the Record Event for the second year in a row by reading to the day care and elementary school children of Haverhill.

Amy's House: The construction of Amy's House by Palm Beach Habilitation Center was completed.

SAY CHEESE!! A YEAR IN PICTURES 2012

Town Yard Sale 2012



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Halloween Event 2012



New Shopping Plaza



Annual Picnic & Car Show 2012



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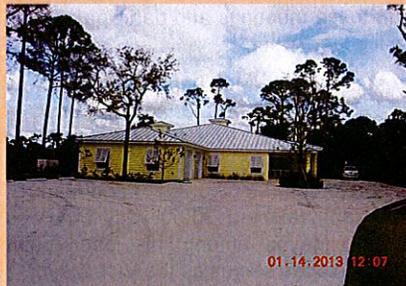
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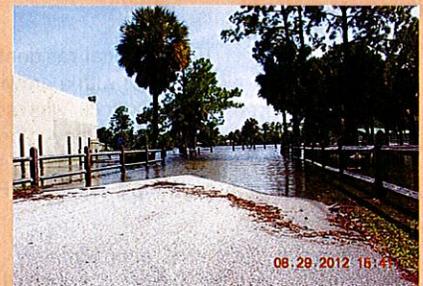
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Amy's House



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Tropical Storm Isaac



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TRASH RECEPTACLES:

The Town of Haverhill has an agreement with Southern Waste Systems that requires all trash receptacles, once emptied, be placed open side down in front of each property. In addition to making it easy for us to determine what properties have been picked up, it protects the town from potential liability. Thank you for your assistance in respecting this policy. Should you have any questions, please call the Town Hall at 561-689-0370.





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HAVERHILL HISTORY AND OTHER INTERESTING TIDBITS!

The Town of Haverhill was established in 1950. The first regular meeting of the Town Council was held in the home of Myron V. Kelly on May 10, 1950. The Council continued to meet in the private homes of the members until the Town Hall was built in 1967 at a cost of \$16,000. It is believed that Mr. Myron V. Kelly, the Town's first Council President, named the Town of Haverhill after his own hometown in Massachusetts.

In February of 1995, a local resident presented the Town Council with a drawing of a blue heron. The Council was so impressed with the artwork, they formally adopted the rendering as the Town's official emblem through the passage of Resolution 99.

Presently there are approximately 1850 residents in the Town of Haverhill and approximately 600 housing units. There is a small percentage of commercial properties within the Town.

The Town is .61 square miles and contains approximately 400 acres. There are eleven miles of paved roads with close to 1 mile of unpaved roads.

The Town is governed by a five member

Town Council, all elected at large (no party affiliation and no specific districts) for a two year term. The Mayor is elected among the sitting Council. The Council's regular meetings are held the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m. and the first Tuesday of each month is a workshop beginning at noon. All meetings are held at the Town Hall. Residents of the Town are encouraged to attend these meetings and participate in the local government.

Present Council Members are Jay G. Foy (served 1993-1997 and again elected in 1998); James E. Woods, (elected 2000) Jerry E. Beavers (elected 2004); Lawrence Gordon (elected 2011) and Mark C. Uptegraph (elected 2007) Jay Foy was elected Mayor among his peers and James Woods serves as the Vice Mayor.

There are four full time employees working at the Town Hall; Janice C. Rutan, Town Administrator; Jessica Shepherd, Deputy Town Clerk; Joseph Roche, Director of Public Services and Rodrick Jones, Maintenance. Wayne Cameron is the Town's contracted Building Official. John Fenn Foster has served as the Town's Attorney since 1984. Mr. Foster's

father had served in that capacity prior to 1984. Jeff Renault is the Town Engineer. Mr. Renault grew up in Haverhill and his mother had served on the Town Council 1976 to 1980 and was Mayor 1980-1981. The Town Hall is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (excluding holidays).

Residents of the Town of Haverhill are in the 20th Congressional District and are represented by Congressman Alcee Hastings. The entire Town is located in State Senate District 27, represented by Jeff Clemons. The Town lies in the State House District 86 which is represented by Representative Mark Pafford. At the Board of County Commissioner's level, Paulette Burdick represents precinct 2046 in District 2 and Priscilla Taylor represents precincts 7136 and 7140 in District 7. Charles E. Shaw is your School Board representative. To find your precinct number, visit the Supervisor of Elections website @ <http://www.pbcelections.org/PrecinctFinder.aspx>.

You can contact the Town Hall at 561-689-0370 or visit us at www.townofhaverhill-fl.gov for more information.