

## TOWN OF BOYKINS

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### Town Office Hours

M- T- T – F: 9am – 5pm  
Closed Wednesdays

**Mayor** – Jackie Robertson

**Town Clerk** – Victoria Edwards

**Police** – Sgt. George Brozzo  
757-556-2709



### Important Dates

Oct. 4 – Candidate's Forum  
(7pm @ Firehouse)

**Oct. 15 – Pumpkin Fest**

Oct. 31 – Trick-or-Treating

Nov. 6 – Daylight Savings Time

**Nov. 8 – Election**

Dec. 4 – Circle of Trees

Dec. 5 – Taxes Due

Dec. 11 – Christmas Parade



# BOYKINS BITS AND BITES

## CANDIDATE'S FORUM

The GFWC Tarrara Woman's Club will host a Candidate's Forum at the Boykins Firehouse at 7pm on October 4<sup>th</sup>. Recent election laws now require all local elections to be held in November, with those being elected beginning their term of office January 1<sup>st</sup>. The Candidate Forum will give residents an opportunity to meet and the candidates running for Mayor and Town Council. The candidates are as follows:

### **For Mayor:**

Jackie Robertson, Sr. (incumbent)  
Nickolas Zinn

### **For Council:**

Linda Beatty (incumbent)  
Dee Modlin Clary, appointed (incumbent)  
Freddy Felts (incumbent)  
Justin Merchant  
Robert "Chet" Poland, appointed (incumbent)

*\*Hank Fuller has declared he is running for re-election as a write-in.*

**Attention  
Registered  
Voters**

**The election is November 8<sup>th</sup>.**

**Boykins' polling location is the Boykins Firehouse.**

## UPDATES FROM TOWN SERGEANT

SGT. BROZZO

Investigations still underway with an arrest already being made involving the recent stolen cars. Other known suspects are being investigated with potential charges pending.

**Fireworks are illegal to set off without proper permits in the Commonwealth of Virginia.**

No further burglaries have occurred since June. Investigations are still underway. We have received very good leads, but if you have any information please call crime solvers, even anonymously, at 757-653-2900.

2023 Road to Hope Campaign has started. Anyone interested in making a donation may do so at [www.memberplanet.com/campaign/leunited/va2023/georgebrozzo](http://www.memberplanet.com/campaign/leunited/va2023/georgebrozzo) or call Sgt. Brozzo at 757-556-2709.

**Blue Bin Pick-up**Oct 7<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>Jan 13<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>

**Town Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Town Office. To speak during the meeting, please call the Clerk to have your name added to the agenda.**

**Important Numbers****Emergency – Dial 911**

Boykins Fire & Rescue  
(757) 654-6660

Southampton Sheriff  
(757) 653-2100

Southampton Utilities  
(757) 653-3015

Post Office  
757-654-6371

CSX  
1-800-232-0144

NC & VA Railroad  
1-800-800-3490

Southampton Health Dept.  
(757) 653-3040

Southampton Memorial  
(757) 569-6100

Crime Solvers  
757-653-2900

**PUMPKIN FEST**

VICTORIA EDWARDS

Boykins is celebrating its eleventh Pumpkin Fest on October 15<sup>th</sup>! The festivities begin at 10am in the Buck Lassiter Mini Park, located on the corner of Main Street and Virginia Avenue, with the opening ceremony and Blessing Brick Walkway dedication.

Our Tiny Miss and Little Miss Pumpkin Fest pageant will take place immediately after the opening ceremony at 10:30am. Registration forms and pageant rules are available at the town office or online at [townofboykinsva.com](http://townofboykinsva.com) under the event tab. You do not have to be a resident of Boykins to participate. Deadline to register is October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Vendor spots available.****Deadline to register for a vendor spot is October 5<sup>th</sup>.**

The costume parade will take place after the pageant. The exact time is yet to be determined. We ask that you do not wear anything scary or inappropriate. Please remember Pumpkin Fest is a family event with small children. Those dressed in costumes may walk in the parade down Virginia Ave from the stage to Busy Street. Goodie bags will be available at the end of the parade. A place to change will be available so that you may enjoy the rest of the event comfortably.

Throughout the day there will be cake walks, games, bounce houses, hayrides, and pumpkins! Sounds of Time is back by popular demand! They will perform from 2 – 5pm. Seating is limited. Bring your own chair if you wish to enjoy the show comfortably.

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Boykins Main Street Initiative  
Boykins Masonic Lodge 287 AF&AM



Reminder: Taxes are due December 5<sup>th</sup>. Expect town tax bills to be out by the end of October.

Call Victoria Edwards at 654-6361 to enter your float, car, etc. in the Christmas parade. No registration fee. Tarrara Woman's Club will judge the floats before the parade.

## LITTLE FREE LIBRARY



BETTY MANN

Boykins Baptist Church is sponsoring a community library box to be enjoyed by all. The box was donated, painted, and made by loving spirits within the church.

The library box is painted red and white like a barn with peanuts and cotton embellishing the outside. Please enjoy taking a book to read and placing one back if you are able for others to enjoy.

## HELPING HANDS

VICTORIA EDWARDS

Thank you all who have helped Boykins in various ways. The hero banners, the holiday decorations, the community events, and so much more would not be possible without the many helping hands working behind the scenes to make it possible. We cannot say "thank you" enough.

## CHRISTMAS COMMUNITY EVENTS

VICTORIA EDWARDS

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual **Circle of Trees** lighting will be **December 4<sup>th</sup>** at 5:30pm. Sponsors can recognize a business, family, organization, etc. by donating a live tree and decorating it with lights and decorations. The community will enjoy the different themed trees until after the New Year. We have 12 spots available for sponsorship. By being a sponsor, you agree to provide a live tree donation and decorate it as you see fit. If you are interested in donating and decorating a tree for your organization, business, etc., please let Renee Lassiter or Victoria Edwards know.



Boykins' 47<sup>th</sup> annual **Christmas Parade** will be **December 11<sup>th</sup>** at 3pm. Anyone interested in participating should contact Victoria Edwards at the Town Office. All are invited to participate. There is no registration fee or vehicle restrictions. However, ATVs, 4-wheelers, motorcycles, etc. are asked to behave. Stunts will not be tolerated for your safety and the safety of bystanders.