



Notices

As spring gets under way cutting grass will become a necessary part of life. The Town of Benson would like to remind you to not let your grass clippings run into the storm drains. Clogged drains can lead to backups and expensive blockages.

Community Calendar

- Comm. Watch Mtg.
(Church of God) 5/16

- Town Commissioners
Mtg. 5/23

- Memorial Day
(Offices Closed) 5/27

- Fri. Night Hoops 5/31

- Movie Night In The
Grove 6/07

- Town Commissioners
Mtg. 6/11

Mayor's Message

Almost daily I receive an email asking for my computer password or saying I have won some money. Often they want me to send in my bank information. Identity theft and fraud are on the rise. Some wise old words: If it sounds too good to be true, it probably is. If you have suspicions always check with a trusted friend. Guard your identity and your money.

William

Friday Night Hoops Begins May 31

The Police Department is proud to announce that the second season of our **Friday Night Hoops** program will kick off on **May 31, 2013**. It will be held at the **Lee Street Gym at PK Vyas Park, on South Lee Street, from 8:00 PM until 11:00 PM**.

As like last season, it will be **open for ages 8 to 16, and all participants must have a parent or responsible party to sign a waiver form**, prior to them being allowed to join in the activities. All participants must stay in the gym.

The dates for this season are:

- May 31
- June 14
- June 28
- July 12
- July 26
- August 9

Guest speakers have been scheduled for each event, and staff from the Police Department and the Parks



& Recreation Department will be on hand to help out. The Police Department would like to acknowledge the generosity of the businesses, organizations, and individuals in our community who are providing sponsorship, and/or volunteering their time to this program. We encourage the youth and parents of Benson to come out on **May 31st**, and give

Friday Night Hoops a try; we think everyone will like what they find.

For more information on the Friday Night Hoops program, how you or your child can get involved or how to become a sponsor please contact Officer Jeff Young at the Benson Police Department at 919-894-2091 or by email at jayoung@benisonpd.org.

Police Corner



Safety Scene

The Benson Police Department would like to remind everyone of the nuisance laws as they apply to high weeds and grass. We would ask that you **do not allow your grass to grow higher than 12 inches**. Those that receive a violation for the grass/high weed ordinance will be given time to correct the situation.

Not only are high grass and weeds unsightly, but they pose a fire hazard, block visibility for drivers, harbor rodents and snakes and contribute to pests like mosquitoes and chiggers.



If you would like more information on the high grass and weed ordinance or to report a violation of the ordinance please contact Officer Jeff Young and the Benson Police Department at 919-894-2091.

Keeping Cool This Summer



Energy Edge

May is here and as spring ends and summer begins it can only mean that it will be getting hotter. Here are few tips you can try to help you beat the heat:

Drink cold water. Drinking cold water instantly cools your body and quenches thirst.

Dress appropriately. Wearing loose fitting light colored clothing can help you stay cool.

Stock up on frozen treats. Eating ice cream and popsicles can help keep your body temperature low.

***Mint refreshes the skin and leaves a nice cooling sensation.** Try a few minty or menthol products to cool your skin.

Lie on the floor. Heat rises. The coolest places will be those closest to the floor.

These are just a few tips on how you might be able to keep cool this summer.



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Parks and Recreation: News and Information

Cheerleading and Karate Signups



Calling all cheerleaders and karate masters! BPRD will be holding registration for cheerleading and karate in May and June.

Cheer: Mon. June 3rd

Ages 4-6 5:30 - 6:00pm

Ages 7-11 6:15 - 6:45pm

Ages 12-18 7:00 - 7:30pm

* Classes will follow each registration

Karate: Thurs. May 30th (Registration Only)

Ages 4-6 5:30 - 6:00pm

Ages 7 and Up 6:15 - 6:45pm

Yellow/Green 7:00 - 7:30pm

Belts

Blue Belts 7:45 - 8:15pm



The registration fee is \$8 and then \$7 for each class attended. The classes are held at the Benson Civic Center. For more information please call the Benson Civic Center. at 919-894-5117.

Schedule of Events

Movie Night in The Grove

May 3rd - TBD

(In the Benson Singing Grove)

Benson Community Day

May 11th 10am - 3pm P.K.Vyas Park

July 4th Sponsors Needed

Benson Parks and Rec. are looking for sponsors for the annual 4th of July Celebration. To become a sponsor contact Cheryl Hall with BPRD at 919-894-5117.

Pop Warner Football Signups

Registration for football will be

May 4th from 10am - 12pm.

Fee to signup is \$80.

Line Dancers In Motion

Join instructor Lisa Smith for line dancing classes on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm.

Registration is \$10-res. and \$15-non-res.

New classes begin May 8th.

Please Donate

Please donate to our local food pantry and the clothing closet located at BPRD.

Cobb Sales and Service



Business Booster

yes to any of those questions than Cobb Sales and Service has what you need.

Owner, Earl Cobb has been serving the Benson community and surrounding area for over a decade now. Cobb's is probably more known for their appliances. You can see their showroom as you pass their store on Main Street. If you can't find something that you like on their showroom floor they **can special order exactly what you want and deliver and install it in your home or business.** Cobb's also sale, service and repair all make and model appliances. **If you buy from Cobb's they will be happy to take your old appliance away free of charge.**

As spring gets into full bloom you will need a reliable lawn mower. Cobb's can help you there as well. Cobb's is a **Grasshopper Mower dealer.** Grasshopper mowers provide the groomed landscape you've always imagined. It can adapt to all the varying mowing conditions it meets. PLUS, it becomes a multi-task performer with QuikConvert^{er}™ implements.

Looking to upgrade those old appliances or how about a new lawnmower? Are you interested in reducing your energy bill? If you answered



Earl Cobb, Owner of Cobb Sales and Service

Looking for ways to reduce your energy bills? Cobb Sales and Service has what you need. Cobb's carry Taylor Water Stoves. These water stoves can **provide your home or business with the all the**

heat and hot water you need at a fraction of the cost of electric and gas water heaters and furnaces.

So don't waste your time with anyone else. Come to Cobb Sales and Service for all your appliance, mower and water stove needs and see the difference shopping local can make.

Cobb Sales and Service

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Mon. - Fri. 8am - 5pm
Sat. 8am - 12pm

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