

TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT

TOWN NEWSLETTER

MARCH 10, 2009

TOWN OF THUNDERBOLT RAIN BARREL COURSE

The rain barrel course was a success. There were a total of four 55 gallon rain barrels made at the February 7, 2009 workshop. Rain barrels collect rain water which, allow residents to conduct outdoor water use even



during water restrictions. Rain barrels also have a monetary value because it can lessen the use of drinking water to water plants. Resident Linda Morgan says her rain barrels are full and ready to water plants.

PARKS AND TOWN FACILITIES RULES IN BRIEF

1. The consumption, sale, or distribution of alcoholic beverages are only permitted within the boundaries of only Honey Park and Thomson Park, with approval and application for permit to dispense alcoholic beverages for temporary or special event.
2. If portable toilets are needed it is at the applicants expense. The applicant is responsible for the removal within 3 days following the date of requested event. A \$30.00 per day per unit will be charged until removed.
3. If any amusement type equipment is used the applicant shall be liable for any damages or accidents that occur as a result from the use of such equipment.
4. If applicant erects tents, stages, booths, etc., they shall be liable for any damages or accidents that occur from the use of these items.
5. Band, instruments, music, etc., shall comply with all related Town Ordinances
6. Applicant shall comply at all time with all posted rules and regulations within the premises
7. Applicant shall be responsible for cleaning and disposing of all trash, debris, etc. prior to leaving the premises.

Please review the entire Rules and Regulations available at the Town Hall.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thunderbolt Community Improvement Association meeting will be on Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 7:00p.m. in Thunderbolt Senior Center. Guest Speaker, Captain Pierce, will be discussing "Identity Theft" Contact: Beth Goette at begodan@comcast.net

- Council Meetings are held on the second Wednesday of every month in Town Hall at 7:00p.m.
- Planning and Zoning Meetings are held every third Wednesday of every month in Town Hall at 7:00p.m.

The Town of Thunderbolt is actively encouraging the formation of a garden club. To express interest, please call Town Hall at 354-5533 and leave your name, telephone number, and the best time to reach you. Caroline Nguyen will follow up with additional information.

WORKSHOP

The Town of Thunderbolt Mayor and Council will hold a workshop session on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 beginning at 6:00pm (before council meeting). Business to be addressed includes the Town's Utility Services and Rates. The scheduled workshop will be held at the Town of Thunderbolt Municipal Complex, 2821 River Drive. Public Attendance is welcome.

REMINDER
Business Licenses will become delinquent after April 1, 2009.



A magazine and newspaper recycle bin is available for resident use and is located behind Town Hall in the parking lot on Russell Street. A metal trash bin is also available for use and is located at the Public Works facility at 415 F Bonaventure Road.



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WE'RE ON THE WEB!
WWW.THUNDERBOLTGA.ORG

**ON CALL AFTER HOURS NUMBERS
FOR PUBLIC WORKS IN CASE OF
WATER SERVICE INTERRUPTION OR
SEWER LINE BACK UP:**

912-644-7999, IF UNAVAILABLE
CALL 912-247-4449

**FOR YOUR
INFORMAITON:**

Town of Thunderbolt requires a fee of \$75.00 to haul excessive loads of garbage. Please refer to § 4-103 of Code of Ordinances Book , which is available for view at Town Hall.

DRY TRASH

The Town of Thunderbolt encourages the use of Paper Yard Waste bags for the collection of dry trash.

UTILITY BILLING

Please write the last four digits of Account Number on Check, Money Order, and Automatic Payments. Do not put payments through the door of Town hall. There is a drop-box provided in front of building.

FIRE DEPARTMENT JANUARY 2009 STATISTICS

- 4 Drills 279.65 Hours *Averaged 21 Firefighters per Drill
- Extra Training 66 Hours
- Station Duty 273.18 Hours
- Total Hours (Drill, Training, and Station Duty) 339 Hours
- 14 Fire Calls * Averaged 12 Firefighters per call
- 26 First Responder Calls * Averaged 3 Firefighters per call
- 40 Total Calls
- 333.1 Total on scene hours *Average response time was 3.1 minutes

FIRE DEPARTMENT NEWS

Department had a very busy January with a total of 40 responses (4 structure fires)

SSU University Village 3rd Floor Apt.; Gragg St.; Louis St.; Whatley Ave (Condos)

CURRENT FIRE DEPARTMENT ROSTER

- 4 staff
- 34 Volunteers (4 new volunteers within past month)
- 13 certified
- 12 Firefighter Trainee's (2 are Pump Operators, 4 are 1st Responders (2 EMT'S))
- 4 Non Fire Suppression support staff
- 5 Junior Firefighters (13-17 years old) * 2 of which will turn 18 in a few months

THUNDERBOLT POLICE DEPARTMENT

2008/2009 Monthly Comparison																										
	Jan		Feb		Mar		Apr		May		Jun		Jul		Aug		Sep		Oct		Nov		Dec		Yearly	
Classification of Offenses	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	08	09	2008	2009
Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Forcible Rape	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	0	3	0
Robbery	1	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	4	2	4	2
Assault	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Simple Assault	2	3	4	2	6	2	3	1	5	4	1	4	2	2	3	4	10	5	3	3	42	6	34	5		
Burglary	1	2	5	4	3	1	1	1	1	2	6	4	6	4	10	5	5	3	3	3	42	6	42	6		
Larceny-Theft	9	10	5	2	5	5	7	5	5	9	6	7	8	9	3	78	12	8	3	78	12	78	12	78	12	
Motor Veh Theft	3	2	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	8	3	8	3

Two of the burglaries occurred in the area of 2395 Downing Avenue, the third in the 2800 block of Mechanics Avenue, and a fourth in the 300 block of Bonaventure Avenue. In the Bonaventure Avenue incident, items were taken from the yard and the metal tool shed. The Department has the identity and a warrant has been issued for Thomas Capers in one of the Downing Avenue burglaries. If you see anything that does not look or feel right, then it probably isn't! Call 911 immediately. If you have information that could be helpful in a burglary, please contact the Police Department. Remember be an active participant in Neighborhood Watch!

Ms. Sandy Branam, Thunderbolt's Neighborhood Watch Coordinator, spoke to the Thunderbolt Neighborhood Improvement Association at their monthly meeting Thursday February 26th and spoke about the need for additional Neighborhood Watch block captains. She explained that some neighborhoods still do not have block captains. If you would like to help in the capacity of a block captain or volunteer, please call Sandy at (912)308-8286.

PUBLIC WORKS

Street signs are on order for Young Avenue and Pierce Street