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Town of Eastover Newsletter

41st Annual Eastover Barbecue and Parade Festival.

The Town of Eastover was proud to present its 41st Annual Barbecue and Parade Festival. The town welcomed all visitors, supporters, neighbors, and residents. It was our personal wish that each of you who attended this year's events had a wonderful time. We thank the committees, Co-Chairperson George Wilson and Joann Richardson who worked extremely hard to make this event a huge success. In the midst of the hustle and bustle, ups and downs, our jobs were made easier because of the cooperation and encouragement we received from Mayor Robinson and the Richland Country Sheriff Department. As the days' activities drew to an end, we hoped it emerged a greater expectation for our future festivals.

Thanks to All!

-Councilwoman Rhudine W. Robinson, Event Chairperson



The 2018 parade and crowd. Photo by Joretha Jenerette

"Name our Newsletter" contest!

We need your submission to name our newsletter. Please submit your newsletter name to eastoverscnewsletter@gmail.com or call Town Hall at (803) 353-2281. The selected winner will be rewarded a \$25 Dollar General gift card. All submissions are due on May 31st.



Pictured Above: 2018 BBQ CookOff Winner Michael Miller with Mayor Geraldene Robinson Photo by Joretha Jenerette

Eastover Walking Club (Eastover Park)

Get our workout shoes ready! Mayor Robinson and the Walking Club will begin stepping on June 3rd at 6:30am, Monday through Friday (walk at your own pace).

Community Conversation Event

The Eastover Cultural Traditions and Story Project will be hosting a Community Conversation about the local history and culture of the Eastover area. There will be a multi-generational dialogue about the past, present, and future of Eastover. This event will take place on May 11th, from 11am to 1pm.

DSS is still at the Bernice Scott Center

The Department of Social Services (DSS) of Eastover is still located 120 Clarkson Street. Visit their office for:

- Job board with current job listings that's updated weekly.
- Healthy Connections Medicaid is there every Wednesday, 1pm-5pm.
- Dropbox available during office closure and after hours.

May Events and Resources

Town of Eastover's Administration and Town Hall Meetings:

Geraldene Robinson, Mayor Leroy Faber, Mayor Pro Tempore Rhudine Robinson, Councilwoman Heyward Patterson, Councilman Phillip Gunter, Councilman

*Please come out to our next Citizens Meeting on June 3rd, 6:30pm and bring your concerns, and constructive input.

Richland Library Eastover

A few highlighted May Events:

- Mother's Day Card/Gift Making 11th 3pm
- Anime & Manga Club Meeting 7th, 21st 6pm
- Connecting your Technology to Simply you Life 101 - 25th - 3pm
- *Check out Richland Library Eastover or website for full calendar.

Webber Elementary News

Field Day - May 24th

End of Year Awards Ceremony/4th Marking Period Assembly - May 30th

5th Grade Promotion - May 31st, 9am

Career Fair

The Town of Eastover and St. Phillip AME Church will be hosting a career fair on May 18th, from 11am - 2pm at Eastover Park.

The COMET, Coming Changes to Route 47

Route 47 will remain on the same route, however DART will become the new operator for the COMET. If you are in need of door to door pick up from your home, you can contact DART 2-hours in advance (Flex Route) for pick up. There will be a shorten route to Walmart on Garners Ferry with timed connection to Route 45. The last route at 8:15pm will be discontinued due to low ridership but upon your request, a Saturday Service route has been added to Eastover from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., every 2 hours. Also a new route to Congaree National Park has been added.

New Restaurants

We are excited of new restaurant, Eastover Grill and new ownership of the longtime, Fish Hole. We highly value every business old and new hoping for the longevity for all. May our business climate continue to strengthen and grow benefiting those who live, work, and play here.



Pictured Above: Employee Dominique Dash preparing hot dog at Eastover Grill. Pictured Below: New Owner Lewis Gunter removing fries from fryer. Photos by Michael Dantzler



Historic Columbia stop in Eastover.

Historic Columbia and International Paper is hosting a tour on May 18th and 19th bringing many visitors to our area. If you are interested in being a vendor at an Eastover tour stop, please call the Town Hall for more information.

WANTED Town of Eastover related information and photos!

Please send all info to <u>eastoverscnewsletter@gmail.com</u> or call the Town of Eastover at (803) 353-2281.

THE EDITOR'S CORNER

I enjoyed this 41st year of the Eastover's Barbecue Festival and Parade to the fullest. It was full of great memories reuniting with classmates, family, neighbors and elders I have know for many years. It was great seeing our town packed full of both residents and connecting families, communities from all over. I'm just happy to be a part of Eastover's pride and joy!

-Michael Dantzler