



# The Biltmore Forest Chronicle

March 2019

## The Commissioner's Corner

**Spring is a busy time in Biltmore Forest, and this year is no exception. The Town will host two important meetings at the Town Hall in mid-March. Information for each meeting is below – resident participation is encouraged and welcomed!**

### Boxwood Blight Education Seminar

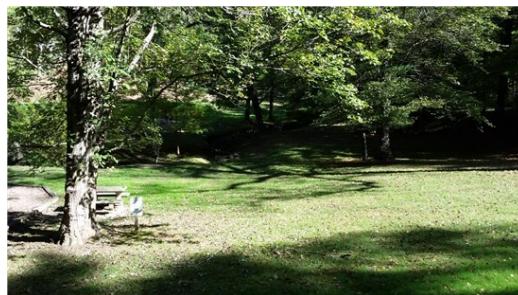
**Monday, March 11, 2019 – 6:00 p.m.**

**The Town has worked with the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service to provide a rescheduled boxwood blight seminar. The meeting was initially postponed due to the large snowstorm in early December. NC Cooperative Extension Service agents and biologist will discuss boxwood blight, and specifically, how it can be identified and best treated. Boxwood blight was confirmed on several properties within Biltmore Forest last summer, and education surrounding the blight is crucial to preventing its spread. The Town and Cooperative Extension Service encourage both residents and landscaping companies to attend.**

### Greenwood Park Public Meeting

**Tuesday, March 12, 2019 – 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

**The Town has developed a master plan for Greenwood Park and is preparing a grant application to the North Carolina Parks and Recreation Trust Fund (PARTF) for these improvements. A component of this grant application process is a public meeting that allows citizens to provide feedback and input on proposed improvements. The Town's parks consultant will be on hand to present the plan, gather feedback, and listen to thoughts on the proposed improvements. Please join us and help plan the future of Greenwood Park!**



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Goosmann, III

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## FROM THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



In the event of a sewer problem or see a man-hole cover overflowing, please call the Metropolitan Sewerage District at 828-255-0061.

Brush pickup has started and will be picked up on the 15th of every month for the North side of Town and the 30th of every month for the South side of Town. Please make sure brush is out no earlier than 7 days before pickup.

For the week of Memorial day, May 27<sup>th</sup> the garbage and recycling pickup will be delayed by one day.

Please welcome James Bumgarner and Lucius Riley. We are happy to have them join our team and they will be performing trash and recycling pickup duties. Please remember to place all household trash in garbage bags. This helps with loading of the garbage, and reduces injuries. Over 500 tons of garbage is collected each year.

The Town provides two dumpsters for the Town use. Please remember that only bagged household garbage is allowed in the dumpsters. There is an unauthorized materials list posted on a sign next to the dumpsters if you are in question.

During inclement weather, please do not park any vehicles on the road or road shoulders. It will be safer for the trucks to clear the road of snow and avoid hitting cars with salt and sand.

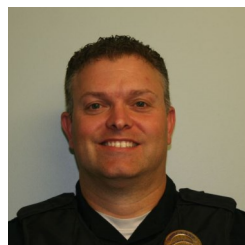
If you have any concerns or questions about trash, recycling, white goods collection, brush collection, or leaf pickup please feel free to contact us at 274-3919.



### Employee Anniversaries



**Officer Kim Rhinehart**  
18Years



**Sgt. John Driver**  
12 Years



**David Arrington**  
34 Years



**Brian Godleski**  
2 Years

## FROM THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Spring time in Biltmore Forest is one of our most beautiful times of year. It is very easy to become complacent and unaware of situations around us as we are so focused on our tasks at hand. Always remember that our situational awareness is our number one crime prevention tool. Pay attention to what happens around you. If something doesn't seem quite right, it probably isn't. If you see something, say something.

- In warm weather months personal property thefts increase; there is a tendency to leave items, such as bicycles, gardening tools, lawnmowers, weed eaters, and other yard tools lying around in the open. Make sure you lock up your personal property in your garage
- Always remember to roll up your car windows, take any valuables out of your car, and lock your doors every time you exit your vehicle, even if your vehicle is parked in your driveway.
- Please call us at 828-274-0822 or 911 with emergencies or suspicious activity. As always feel free to contact me or the department with any questions at all.

**Chief Chris Beddingfield**

**Email: [cbeddingfield@biltmoreforest.org](mailto:cbeddingfield@biltmoreforest.org)**

Please welcome Shelby Tate and Aslyne Tate to the Police Department as civilian dispatchers.

Shelby was a dispatcher at Mission Health and she dispatched the MAMA(Mountain Area Medical Airlift) helicopter and private ambulance services. Shelby brings great expertise to Biltmore Forest.

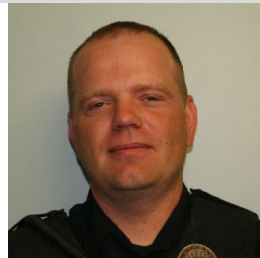
Aslyne joins us and has worked at Polk County Communications and the 911 center where she was the shift supervisor, lead telecommunicator, and training coordinator. She also works for the Town of Tryon.

## Employee Anniversaries

**Sgt. Keith Mackey**  
25 Years



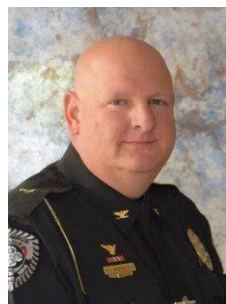
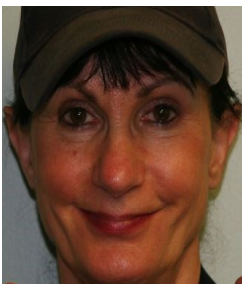
**Sgt. Kenny Merritt**  
8 Years



**Sgt. Shane Burrell**  
13 Years



**Officer Samantha Bombace**  
22 Years



**Chief Chris Beddingfield**  
1 Year



### North Carolina Law:

- Wear a bicycle helmet on public roads if under 16 years old.
- Use hand signals to communicate intended movements.
- Ride on the right in the same direction as other traffic
- Please make sure to wear light colored or reflective clothing to increase visibility so others can see you.
- According to NC Pedestrian Laws, pedestrians should always walk facing traffic.



Please remember to be a considerate neighbor and keep your dog on a leash AT ALL TIMES and pick up waste after your dog while walking in the streets and parks throughout Town. Waste bags are available in the parks for your convenience.

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**Arbor Day Celebration!**  
**Rosebank Park**  
**Saturday, April 27, 2019**  
**10am-12pm**

**Come join us in Rosebank Park as the Biltmore Forest Community Preservation Committee celebrates Arbor Day! The Town and Committee will provide nature walks, children's activities with a scavenger hunt, leaf press, and garden planting! Plants and tree saplings will be given out to all. Please plan to join us!**

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