



Newsletter Spring 2012

TOWN OF HAVERHILL ANNUAL PICNIC AND SECOND ANNUAL CAR SHOW!



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Join us for the festivities! Great food! Music! Games! Prizes! Vendor Information Booths! Come on down to Town Hall for an old fashioned neighborhood picnic. Rain or Shine!

**Town of Haverhill
Annual Neighborhood Picnic
Town Hall - 4585 Charlotte Street
Haverhill, FL 33417
Saturday, April 21, 2012
Picnic: 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Car Show: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.**



FUN & INTERESTING FACTS ABOUT THE TOWN OF HAVERHILL'S EMBLEM THE GREAT BLUE HERON!

Have you ever wondered how the Town of Haverhill picked the Great Blue Heron as the Town's emblem or just what this beautiful bird is all about? Well here goes...

In February of 1995 a local resident presented the Town Council with a drawing of a Great Blue Heron. The Council was so impressed with the artwork, they formally adopted the rendering as the Town's official emblem through the passage of Resolution 99.



Great Blue Heron

Photographed by Al And Elaine Wilson

<http://www.BirdsISee.com>

The beautiful Great Blue Heron is the largest of the American herons and can be found throughout most of North America, as far north as Alaska and the southern Canadian provinces. The range extends south through Florida, Mexico and the Caribbean to South America. The Great Blue Heron is about 4 feet tall and has a wingspan of up to 6 feet. Its diet consists of fish, lizards, frogs, crawfish, rodents and other small mammals, insects and small birds. They hunt in shallow water, using their long sharp bill to catch their prey. It then tosses the dead prey into the air, and catches it in their mouth. Herons locate their food by sight and usually swallow it whole. The Great Blue Heron's nest is a platform of twigs and sticks that is built in trees, on cliffs, or on the ground. These birds nest or breed in colonies in trees close to lakes and other bodies of water where the females lay 3 to 7 pale blue eggs at a time, and they sometimes nest alongside other species of herons. These groups are called heronry or rookery and range between 5 to 500 nests per colony, with an average of 160 nests per colony!

UNCONTESTED ELECTION!!



Congratulations to Jerry Beavers and James Woods for their recent re-election to Town Council Seats 1 and 2 respectively. Neither candidate was challenged during the January 31—February 14 qualifying period and as such reclaimed their Seats on the Town Council. They will serve the Town of Haverhill for the ensuing two year term. Mr. Beavers was first elected to Council in 2004. James E. Woods was elected in 2000 and has served the Town Council as President, Mayor and presently Vice-Mayor. Council Members are elected for two year terms with the Mayor and Vice Mayor being elected annually among the sitting Council Members.

BUILDING PERMITS AND LAND CLEARING/TREE REMOVAL PERMITS ARE REQUIRED

Building Department Permits are required for most home improvement projects, including electrical, plumbing, and driveway repair projects.

Failure to obtain a permit will result in fines up to four times the amount of the permit fee.

Please contact the Town Building Department at 689-0370, ext. 21, to determine if a permit is required for your intended improvement.

Building Department permit applications and fees can be found on the Town's website at www.townofhaverhill-fl.gov or at Town Hall.

SHOP LOCALLY! THE TOWN OF HAVERHILL ENCOURAGES TOWN RESIDENTS TO SHOP LOCALLY & SUPPORT LOCAL BUSINESSES. THERE ARE MANY LOCAL BUSINESSES THAT CAN SERVE MOST OF YOUR PROFESSIONAL & RETAIL NEEDS. SEE RELATED INSERT & ARTICLE BELOW.

SOUTH FLORIDA WATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT YEAR-ROUND LANDSCAPE IRRIGATION RULE

3-Day-A-Week Watering

- Residents and businesses with an **odd-numbered** street address may water lawns and landscapes on **Mondays, Wednesdays and/or Saturdays**, only **before 10 a.m. OR after 4 p.m.**
- Residents and businesses with an **even-numbered** street address, **no street address** or those that irrigate **both even and odd addresses** within the same zones, which may include multi-family units and homeowners associations, may water lawns and landscapes on **Tuesdays, Thursdays and/or Sundays**, only **before 10 a.m. OR after 4 p.m.**

New Landscaping for 2-Day-A-Week and 3-Day-A-Week Watering:

- On the day new landscaping is installed, new plantings and the soil may be irrigated once without regard to the normally allowable watering days and times. Soil irrigation is also allowed immediately prior to planting.
- New plantings that have been in place for **30 days or less** may be watered on **Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays before 10 a.m. and/or after 4 p.m.**
- New plantings that have been in place **from 31 to 90 days** may be watered on **Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and/or Saturdays**, only **before 10 a.m. and/or after 4 p.m.**
- Irrigation is limited to the areas containing new landscaping only. An entire irrigation zone may be watered only if new landscaping is planted on at least 50 percent of that zone. If new landscaping is planted on less than 50 percent of an irrigation zone, only the new plantings may be watered.

CHECK IT OUT!! HAVE YOU SEEN THE NEWLY RENOVATED SHOPPING PLAZA ON THE CORNER OF CHARLOTTE STREET & MILITARY TRAIL??

This plaza has been completely restored and renovated by Allira Construction, Inc. and it now features some great and interesting places to shop. You can get your hair cut at one of the two salons which are Hairdooz and Red Carpet Cutz & Stylez II, shop for groceries at the Island Meat & Produce, trade in your gold for cash at East Coast Gold Exchange, buy a cell phone at Mr. Wireless Boostmobile, get insurance at M.MG Insurance, find something for your vehicle at Redline Auto Accessories and pick up some great Chinese food at China Chef Express or Jamaican food at the soon to come "Yaad" restaurant. So if you haven't done so already come on out and shop to support our local businesses!

BEFORE



AFTER





Town of Haverhill
4585 Charlotte Street
Haverhill, FL 33417

PRESORTED STANDARD
U.S. POSTAGE
PAID
WEST PALM BEACH, FL
PERMIT NO. 4600

4500 BELVEDERE RD
HAVERHILL, FL 33415

**ANNUAL HOMETOWN NEIGHBORHOOD
PICNIC- APRIL 21, 2012**

Protect our Storm Water Drainage Systems

The Town of Haverhill is regulated by the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) program. This program regulates storm water discharges that go directly to surface waters.

The storm water drainage system collects all the rainwater that runs off hard surfaces (roofs, sidewalks). This storm water runoff drains into catch basins. If that run off contains pollutants, then those pollutants are routed to the nearest canal, lake and eventually the ocean.

Water pollution damages the environment and wildlife and can restrict recreational activities like fishing, swimming and boating.

Please help us protect our waterways by controlling discharge pollution. Be aware of an accidental oil or paint spill, soapy wash water, wastewater and grease that may be draining into our catch basins. These are pollutants and illicit discharges. Do not blow grass clippings into the storm drains.

Every little bit helps and we appreciate your efforts to help protect our environment.