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TOWN TO CELEBRATE QUASQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

At one time, Clover was a little station on the Chester and Lenoir Narrow-Gauge Railroad that provided water to the trains passing through. But, by faith and fortitude, the Town's population and economy grew and Clover was officially incorporated on December 24, 1887. Clover has continued to grow and prosper and now, 125 years after incorporation, is celebrating its Quasquicentennial Anniversary. Celebratory events will be held from September 2012 through March 2013. In September, the Town and Clover Public Library will join together to celebrate our Irish heritage (see article on page 2). On September 15, the Town will launch the Clover History Series Geocache. Use your GPS unit to discover Clover's past. Look for the 125th Anniversary booth at the Auto Show and Fall Festival on September 22 to purchase a commemorative booklet and coin. These items will also be available at Town Hall starting September 24. Coming in October: The Ghost of Clover's Past historic tour on the Little Blue Choo on Sunday, October 21. Visit www.cloversc.org for anniversary event information, updates and more.

IT'S FESTIVAL TIME

The first annual **Butts & Bluegrass BBQ Festival** will be held on Saturday, September 1, at Clover Community Park. This event will feature a BBQ cookoff, bluegrass music by the Flowers Family, crafts, children's activities, a Ms. BBQ Queen pageant and more. Visit buttsandbluegrassbbqfestival.wordpress.com or call Lisa Thornburg at 222-4949 for more information.

Auto Show and Fall Festival, September 22, 2012 from 8 AM til 4 PM. There will be special interest Vendors, Children's Activities, Food, Drinks, T-shirt Sales, and Live Entertainment. This year's event features 49 classes, plus five special awards. The evening winds down with the annual Street Dance featuring the popular band FlashBack who will perform Motown, beach, disco and party music from 6pm-10pm in the Piggly Wiggly parking lot. Bring your chair and kick back for a wonderful night of entertainment. For more information contact the Clover Jaycees at 803-222-3227 or 704-460-1741. For vendor applications and car show registration forms please visit www.cloversc.org

CONTACTS

Town Hall	222-9495
Public Works	222-7700
Police	222-9494
Recreation	222-9493
Fire Dept.	222-3220
Municipal Court	222-4084
Codes/Building	222-5158

HOLIDAYS

September 3, 2012	Labor Day
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MAYOR & COUNCIL

Mayor	
Donnie Grice	(704) 913-3296 (M)
Ann Harvey	222-9414 (H)
Wes Spurrier	222- 9033 (H)
Jay Dover	222-9011 (H)
Granita Boyd	(704) 913-2153 (M)
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Debbie Littlejohn	(803) 526-4076(M)

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Town Council Meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. at the Clover Community Center located at 120 Bethel Street.

September 10, 2012

October 8, 2012

For more information, please contact Shannon Nix at 222-9495.

LABOR DAY

September means the official end of summer, the beginning of football season and celebrating the important holiday of Labor Day. Labor Day, the first Monday in September, is a creation of the labor movement and is dedicated to the social and economic achievements of American workers. It constitutes a yearly national tribute to the contributions workers have made to the strength, prosperity, and well-being of our country.

The Town's administrative offices will be closed on Monday, September 3rd in observance of Labor Day. Garbage collection will be on Friday, August 31st. The Town hopes you have a safe and happy Labor Day!

IRISH HERITAGE APPRECIATION MONTH

The Town of Clover, Clover Ulster American Society and Clover Public Library will be celebrating our area's Irish Heritage through a series of special events during September. During the Irish Heritage Appreciation Month, the library will have a special exhibit of books and other objects that are related to Ireland and Northern Ireland. Preschool Story Time, held each Wednesday at 10:30am for ages 3-5 years, will feature Irish themes as well. On Monday, September 24, at 6:30pm, Michael Scoggins will discuss the "Scotch-Irish Heritage of York County." Mr. Scoggins is a historian with the Culture and Heritage Museums of York County. All events will be held at the Clover Public Library, 107 Knox Street, and are free and open to the public. For more information about these and other Irish Heritage Appreciation Month events, visit www.cloversc.org or contact the library at 222-3474.

COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

The Town Council will be considering approval of the Comprehensive Plan 2022. The Plan defines what kind of community we want to be in the future and describes what we have now and what we want 5-10 years from now. The Plan is the culmination of 2 ½ years of study and was approved by the Planning Commission on April 25, 2012. A public hearing is scheduled for September 10, 2012, 6:30pm, at the Clover Community Center. The public is invited to attend and comment on the Plan. Citizens can view the draft Comprehensive Plan 2022 at Town Hall or on-line at www.cloversc.org.

CLOVER FAÇADE GRANTS

The Town of Clover is offering assistance to commercial property owners to repair and improve the exteriors of their buildings. Up to five \$1,000 competitive grants are expected to be awarded through the Façade Grant Program. Grant guidelines and the application are available at Town Hall and on-line at www.cloversc.org. The application deadline is September 7, 2012, 5PM. Contact Town Administrator Allison Harvey at 222-9495 or aharvey@cloversc.org for more information.

CLOVER COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES: UNDERSTANDING THE PROBATE PROCESS

Prepare yourself and your family for handling your affairs after your death by joining us on Tuesday, September 11, to learn more about the importance of wills and advance directives, the differences between dying with or without a will, and the problems commonly seen in the probate court due to lack of planning. Find out what to do about elderly family members who may be headed toward incapacity and obtain practical pointers to help surviving family members. The session will be led by Mr. Jim Hayes, CFP, AAMS, and Judge Carolyn Rogers, York County Probate Judge. Start time for the FREE session is 2:00 pm at the Clover Community Center, 120 Bethel Street. Call 222-9493 for more information.