

Dear Citizens:

I don't know where time goes, but next week, the year will be half over. We are already coming up with ideas for the 2010 city calendar!! For those of you planning on a summer vacation, please be careful and come back safe. Your city needs you. Last week, it seemed like half of Nitro was visiting Myrtle Beach. But, the summer can not be too far along--the Cincinnati Reds are too close to first place, for it to be too late in the summer.

The Nitro Pool...the weather has not been too kind to our pool this season. Rain and rumors of rain, have held down the attendance. The "Bread and Butter Days" for our pool, is from Memorial Day thru July 4th weekend. After the weekend following the 4th, attendance begins to slump. By mid-August, our youth are ready for football, band and the start of the school year.

Our pool is open from 11 am until 6 PM, Monday thru Saturday and from 1 until 6 PM, on Sundays. Admission is 4 dollars for adults, 3 dollars for senior citizens (55 and over) and 2 dollars for youth, ages 5 thru 12 and free admission for under 5. The pool is available for rental after 6 PM--for more information on pool parties, please call 304.755.5936.

The Nitro Library..Our Nitro Library, has many activities scheduled for the summer. On Wednesday afternoons at 1 PM (June 24th, July 8th and 15th)--stories about Dinosaurs, for youth 3 to 5 years of age. Registration required.

Healthy Summer Challenge starts at 1 PM, Mondays thru July 6th.

Tom E. Boy, will arrive on Thursday, July 9th at 1 PM. Registration required.

Kindergarten Here We Come, is offered on Thursday, August 6th at 6 PM.

Sunflowers and Stars: Meet Vincent Van Gogh, will be held at the library on Thursday, August 13th, at 6 PM, for second thru the sixth grade and registration is required.

The library also, offers a Pet Tree, where the youth can pick a bone or paw and bring the needed pet item back to the library.

For more information, please call our library at 304.755.4432.

Tri-State Park...Irregardless of how you felt about table gaming, I wanted to pass along, that the groundbreaking ceremony for the TriState Hotel, will be Wednesday, July 24th at 2 PM. The hotel will feature 160 rooms, a pool and sauna and 24 hour room service.

Zumba is being offered at the Nitro Community Center, on Wednesday evenings, from 7 until 8 PM. Cost is five dollars per class. For more information, please call 304.690.2131 or 304.548.6657.

Council Meetings, beginning in July, will begin at 7 PM. On the docket for the July 7th and 21st meetings, are public hearings on the boat launch--now scheduled to begin construction in late August. If you would like to voice your opinion on the boat launch, please visit city council on the 7th or 21st of July, by 7 PM.

Our "Citizen of the Month" for the month of June, is Dr. L.L. Hoptry, minister of the First Baptist Church of Nitro. Pastor Hoptry will be retiring at the end of June, after 28 years of service to the people of Nitro. His last sermon will be given on Sunday, June 28th at 11 am.

Pastor Hoptry has been at the hospital for a number of births, baptized many of our citizens and has performed countless funerals.

We, at the city send to you our very best and may God continue to work thru you, in all that you do.