



## BARBECUE SAFETY TIPS

1. **Keep your grill at least 10 feet away from your house.** Farther is even better. This includes portions attached to your house like carports, garages and porches. Grills should not be used underneath wooden overhangs either, as the fire could flare up into the structure above. This applies to both charcoal and gas grills.

2. **Clean your grill regularly.** If you allow grease and fat to build up on your grill, they provide more fuel for a fire. Grease is a major source of flare ups.

3. **Check for gas leaks.** You can make sure no gas is leaking from your gas grill by making a solution of half liquid dish soap and half water and rubbing it on the hoses and connections. Then, turn the gas on (with the grill lid open.) If the soap forms large bubbles, that's a sign that the hoses have tiny holes or that the connections are not tight enough.

4. **Keep decorations away from your grill.** Decorations like hanging baskets, pillows and umbrellas look pretty AND provide fuel for a fire. To make matters worse, today's decor is mostly made of artificial fibers that burn fast and hot, making this tip even more important.

5. **Keep a spray bottle of water handy.** That way, if you have a minor flare-up you can spray it with the water to instantly calm it. The bonus of this tip is that water won't harm your food, so dinner won't be ruined!

6. **Keep a fire extinguisher within a couple steps of your grill.** And **KNOW HOW TO USE IT.** If you are unsure how to use the extinguisher, don't waste time fiddling with it before calling 911. Firefighters say many fire deaths occur when people try to fight a fire themselves instead of calling for expert help and letting the fire department do its job.

### DON'T:

7. **Turn on the gas while your grill lid is closed.** NEVER do this. It causes gas to build up inside your grill, and when you do light it and open it, a fireball can explode in your face.

8. **Leave a grill unattended.** Fires double in size every minute. Plan ahead so that all of your other food prep chores are done and you can focus on grilling.

9. **Overload your grill with food.** This applies especially fatty meats. The basic reason for this tip is that if too much fat drips on the flames at once, it can cause a large flare-up that could light nearby things on fire.

10. **Use a grill indoors.** People often think it will be safe to use a grill, especially a small one, indoors. NOT TRUE. In addition to the fire hazard, grills release carbon monoxide, the deadly colorless, odorless gas. That gas needs to vent in fresh air or it can kill you, your family and pets.

Internet information

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FYI

## Town of Blackville Ordinance No. 2014.01 Water Bill Non-Payment Fee

On February 18, 2014, the Blackville Town Council amended Ordinance 2013.01. Changes were as follows: There will no longer be a \$25.00 cut-off fee, however there will be a \$25.00 **Non-Payment Fee** which shall be charged to each customer's water, sewer, garbage and public works fee that is delinquent by close of the business day (5:00 pm) on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of the month, which would include drop box payments. If the 25<sup>th</sup> falls on Saturday or Sunday the \$25.00 non-payment fee will be charged at the end of the business day (5:00 pm) on Monday.

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## Blackville's Recreation Football

Registration has started and will continue through the first week of September. Fee is \$30.00 per registrant.

**Birth certificates are required.**

**Register at Town Hall**

**Additional details contact call**

**803 300-1624 or 808 284-2444**

**Ages 6-12 are eligible**

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## BLACKVILLE AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

**Open Tours available TUESDAY'S**

**2:00pm to 4:00pm**

**803 284-2525, 284-3267, 300-1578**

## MEETINGS

- **July 7**, Blackville Community Development Corporation, Town Hall, 6:00pm
- **July 12**, Neighborhood Watch, Tabernacle Baptist Church, 6:00pm
- **July 12**, Barnwell County Council, Agriculture Building, 6:00pm
- **July 18**, Town Council Meeting, Town Hall, 6:30pm
- **July 25**, Barnwell-Blackville NAACP, Macedonia Baptist Church, 7:00pm

## **FYI**

**Blackville Civic Club, Blackville Downtown Development Corporation and Board of Education will NOT meet in July**

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

**July 2**, Catherine Burckhalter

**July 2**, Lou Ella Blake

**July 4**, Peggy White

**July 4**, Florence Brown

**July 4**, Clay Walker

**July 4**, Darren Ford

**July 4**, Bilaysia Deloach

**July 4**, Rasheda James

**July 5**, Johnnie Walker

**July 7**, Joyce Joyner

**July 13**, Nicholas Sanders, Jr.

**July 15**, Carriella Carter

**July 16**, Terrina Arjun

**July 17**, Lillian Harrison

**July 24**, Tiffany Odom

**July 27**, Annette Joyner

**July 27**, Bill T. Deloach

**July 28**, Chris Kearse

**July 31**, David Elmore

**July 31**, Albert Raysor

## HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

**July 12**, Roosevelt and Bessie Elmore

**July 14**, James and Linda Roberts

**July 21**, Edward and Essie Smalls

**HAPPY INDEPENDENCE DAY**

**STAY SAFE!!!!**

## **BARNWELL STATE PARK**

The community is invited to the park to enjoy picnicking, grilling, swimming, hiking, and boating.

## JULY EVENTS

Build A Bird House - \$7.00/participant  
July 2, 10:00am – 11:00 am, Shelter 3

Tie-Dye T-Shirts - \$5.00/participant  
July 3, 2:00-3:00pm, Picnic Pads

Hike with a Ranger – FREE  
July 4, 9:30 – 11:00am, Park Office

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

July 11, 10:30am

**Puppet Show – Kat Kong**

July 18, 11:00 am

**“SPLASHDOWN”**

Play in the spray provided by  
**“BLACKVILLE FIRE DEPARTMENT”**  
both programs for all ages  
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## **CITY OF BARNWELL**

**Independence Day Celebration**

**Friday, July 1, 2016 – 6:00pm**

**Veteran’s Park**

**Food, Music, Fireworks and Fun**

**Bring your chairs and blankets.**

**Vendors will be there with food.**

## **JULY 4, 2016 CLOSINGS**

**Town Hall**

**Enterprise Bank**

**Post Office**

**Board of Education**

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