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## Around Town



### Now Open! Waxhaw Farmer's Market

Welcome to another great season with the Waxhaw Farmers Market! They have been eagerly anticipating opening day all winter and are excited to say that WE ARE OPEN! From now until December the Waxhaw Farmers Market will be open every Saturday from 9am to 1pm. Located right behind Stewart's Village Gallery in downtown historic Waxhaw, NC at the corner of Price Street and Church Street. Many thanks to Bill and Holly Stewart for welcoming back the market for another year! Please be sure to visit their website: [waxhawfarmersmarket.com](http://waxhawfarmersmarket.com) and become a friend on their FB page to get up to the minute market news!



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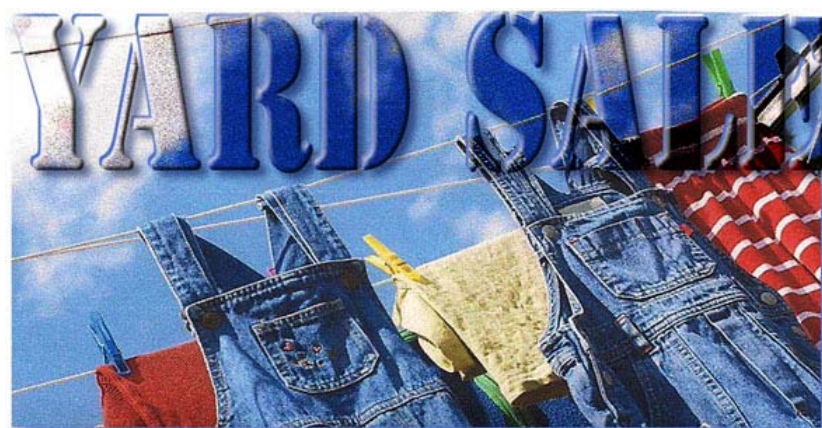
6-3-2011 - **Despicable Me**  
7-1-2011 - **Iron Man 2**  
8-5-2011 - **Oceans**  
9-2-2011 - **Tangled**

\* MOVIES START AT DUSK

The movies will be held at David G. Barnes Park next to the SK8 (skate park) on Caldwell Street.

## Waxhaw July 4th, 2011 Festivities

Waxhaw, N.C., May 25, 2011- Plans are under way for the 2011 Waxhaw July 4th festivities to be held on Monday July 4th beginning at 10am. The day will begin with the 22nd annual parade at 10:00 a.m. Line up begins at 8:30 a.m. The application deadline for entries is June 10th, 2011. This year's theme is "We the People - The U.S. Constitution." 75% of your vehicle must be decorated in the theme. You can access an entry application on the front page of the town's website [www.waxhaw.com](http://www.waxhaw.com). Entries will be limited, so get your youth group, business, horse or neighbor and enter today. In the evening starting at 5:00 p.m. plan to join the fun at the Beach Party/Music Festival behind the car wash next to the Waxhaw Post Office. Live performances on the Main Stage will feature RJ Adams followed by Too Much Sylvia. For the kids we will have face painting, bouncies, and a balloon twister and for everyone a food court with BBQ, hot dogs, ice cream, funnel cakes and Italian ice. The evening's excitement will conclude with the famous Waxhaw fireworks at 9:30 p.m. next to CVS Pharmacy. So bring your chair and enjoy a great night in Waxhaw. For more information or to volunteer please contact Cathy or Lisa at 704-843-2195 ext. 226 or visit our town website [www.waxhaw.com](http://www.waxhaw.com).



**When:** Saturday, June 25th, 2011  
**Time:** 7:00 am ~ 11:00 am  
**Where:** Community Health Services of Union County Parking Lot (across from Health Quest)  
**Rain or Shine, come support Community Health Services!**  
**Great deals on all items. Proceeds will benefit CHSUC programs for the uninsured in Union County. Thank you for your support!**

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And then came the "Cold War"! Russia became the Soviet Union and they had the bomb! And threatened us at every turn. China also turned to communism. North Korea and their backers, the Chinese dragged us into the Korean War. And all of this had the effect of re-igniting the war machine. A race of giants with the goal of mutual total destruction at the heart of things.

All of these events with the addition of the race to the moon, had the effect of basically keeping America an a war footing for over forty years. It was a two edged sword in that we were constantly threatened by the prospects of being nuked into oblivion at any moment and on the other side, having a consistently strong economy. The Companies made lots of money, kept a huge workforce in place and a sizable Armed Forces was always ready at the drop of a dime. Now I am sure there was a lot of juggling going on but taxes at least kept America from getting too deep. Russia, at the end of things went bankrupt.

What did that mean to the average person? If you lived and were "of age" you could pretty much count on having work and if you actually went to collage you could count on a lifetime guarantee of being in demand. At least that was what they told us then...

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## And now, Our Weekly Dose of Humor directly from the Internet.....

*bits and pieces that your Editor will not testify to for correctness, accuracy nor even believability but they are certainly humorous, So Enjoy!*

### 1936 Stainless Steel Ford

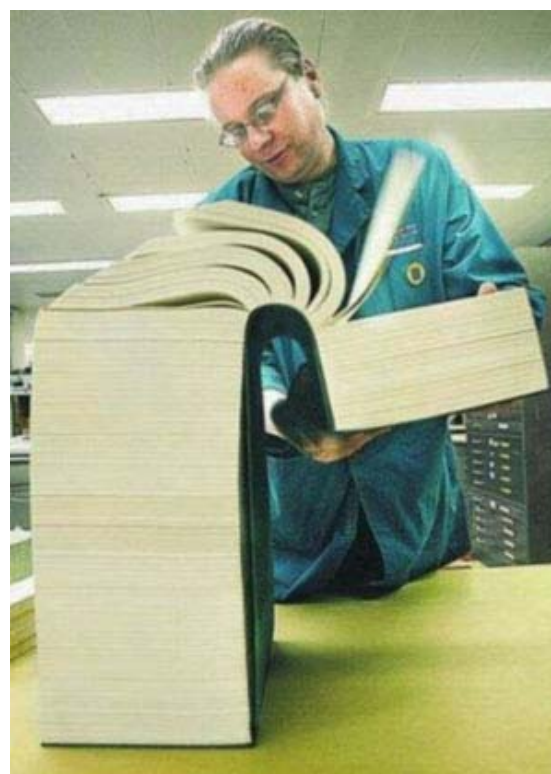


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This is the 1936 Ford Tudor Sedan built for and owned by Allegheny Ludlum Steel. This is 1 of only 4 cars still in existence, and it is the only one, that is currently running & in road-worthy condition. The car is in exceptional condition, with the interior and even the frame is looking great. All 4 cars had over 200,000 miles on them before they were removed from service. These cars were built for Allegheny as promotional and marketing project. The top salesmen each year were given the honor of being able to drive them for one year. The v-8 engine (max 85 hp ran like a sewing machine and was surprisingly smooth and quiet. I thought this was a much better looking automobile than the Ford Thunderbird that visited us last year. FYI, the car was insured (we were told) for the trip to Louisville via covered trailer for 1.5 million dollars. We were also told that the dies were ruined by stamping the stainless car parts, making these the last of these cars ever produced.

### I finally got the book that will help you understand WOMEN better.



Let me know if you need a copy!

***"Be yourself. Everyone Else Is Taken!"***

**A blonde** lady motorist was about two hours from San Diego when she was flagged down by a man whose truck had broken down. The man walked up to the car and asked, "Are you going to San Diego?"

"Sure," answered the blonde, "do you need a lift?"

"Not for me. I'll be spending the next three hours fixing my truck. My problem is I've got two chimpanzees in the back which have to be taken to the San Diego Zoo. They're a bit stressed already so I don't want to keep them on the road all day. Could you possibly take them to the zoo for me? I'll give you \$100 for your trouble."

"I'd be happy to," said the blonde. So the two chimpanzees were ushered into the back seat of the blonde's car and carefully strapped into their seat belts, and off they went.

Five hours later, the truck driver was driving through the heart of San Diego when suddenly he was horrified! There was the blonde walking down the street and holding hands with the two chimps, much to the amusement of a big crowd. With a screech of brakes he pulled off the road and ran over to the blond. What the hell are you doing here?" he demanded, "I gave you \$100 to take these chimpanzees to the zoo."

"Yes, I know you did," said the blonde, "but we had money left over so now we're going to Sea World."