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**BROOME STREET BLUES
A WAXHAW BLOG**



by John Tiley

Yep, the end of those long, hot, lazy days of summer are upon us. For me growing up, it marked the end of Summer Vacation (we NEVER went back to school before labor day... Nah- nah to all of the kids who have already spent a week or two in school). The family would almost always go somewhere (usually close to home)... maybe camping or in a lakefront cottage, but away we would go! One last long weekend just packed with fun summer type things to do. Swimming, fishing, spending the evenings around a campfire... those weekends always went by too fast. A few stand out, like the one that came with a torrential storm that we found ourselves sleeping in a couple of inches of water

i... lots of laughs now but probably not so funny then, especially for the adults. And before you knew it they were gone and back to school we went. At least we knew it wouldn't be too bad, after fall is the "funny season" with all kinds of stuff to look forward to... Halloween, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years not to mention a couple of birthdays thrown in for good measure.... fall did have plenty to look forward to and so I look back longingly at the beach and with all the parties and holidays in the near future. Not to mention the cool crisp days of fall. Oh, yea, its been one long hot summer!



by John Tiley

Build a Mosque... at Ground Zero ?

I consider myself generally speaking, a tolerant person, but the proposed plans to build a Muslim Mosque next to Ground Zero are just not right. One, it is highly insensitive of these Muslims to put a Mosque there. Every time somebody sees the site, they will see where the twin towers stood and there, next to it a building built by the very religion who's radical members are responsible for all this death and suffering. Secondly this is a huge financial undertaking... I ask, just where are the hundreds of millions of dollars coming from? When the average Muslim around the world lives in abject poverty shouldn't a religious group be spending its money taking care of its own

i house instead of flaunting itself in front of the "infidels" as they refer to us as? This should not, cannot be allowed to do so!

Too many people have died at their hand to allow them to proceed with this blasphemy! Their proceeding with this can only inflame relationships.

For more, go to the Editorial Page



Short Takes

According to our friend Kaliph over at the Broom Street Blues, a number of things are going on: A new resident in the old Cafe Fino space will be the Dairy Barn and is scheduled to open in time for the Autumn Treasures event. Waxhaw Yoga & Massage is to go in across from Fox's Pizza. Maxwells Taverns Window Menu missing, although I was past their the other day and work to the actual interior is now well under way.

Don't forget... First Friday

Just a reminder that tonight is First Friday if you're looking for something to do

*When you have a minute stop by **Kaliph's blog!** He does a Great Job!*

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Around Town:

Route 16 through Waxhaw is, according to the Towns web site getting a re-paving job. And none too soon as it has been chopped up so many times by so many developers and of course time is taking its toll as well. Hopefully they will smooth out some of the turning lanes and use a dash of common sense while their about it? Especially by the Food Lion... I don't know how many near wrecks I have witnessed trying to turn in and out of there. What a mess!

The New Town Road Detour is still in place although I have yet to gotten any info as to what they are doing and when it might be re-opened?

They have done a great job re-working the 16/75 interchange. Job well done! Although I do have one suggestion.... perhaps a speed hump or two similar to what Matthews has put in place, would go a long way toward pedestrian safety not to mention greatly increase the life expectancy of the west bound pavement of Route 16 (just as you approach the light?) As memory serves me, that has had to have been repaired/resurfaced at least three times in the last 15 years and it is all due to the heavy vehicles slamming on their breaks as they come up to the light. I remember when the Bridge and Rail was a weekend destination for my family, parking by the tracks meant tacking your live in your hands trying to get across the street. Slow them down earlier and it will be a life saver for people and pavement alike!

While I write this Hurricane Earl is bearing down on the North Carolina beaches and has put the kabosh on many of our plans for that one last weekend away of the summer. While there is nothing I can do to change that I might remind you that our neighbor to the north is hosting their annual bash... Matthews Alive. I have been there in the past and it is quite an event. For more info, check it out: <http://www.matthewsalive.org/index>

Calling all Professional & Backyard Barbecue Cook Teams:

The Town of Waxhaw is having their first BBQ Cook-Off. "Grill'n & Chill'n on Main" will be held Oct 8-9, 2010 in conjunction with Autumn Treasures Oct 9-10.

BBQ Categories will be Boston Butt BBQ and BBQ Spare Ribs, with prize money of \$2,500 to be awarded. Net proceeds to be donated to deserving charity to be determined by the Cook-Off Committee. Application deadline is September, 10, 2010 or when all the spaces are booked. Cook-Off will be judged by the North Carolina BBQ Society (NCBS) judges along with Cook-out Committee selected judges. *So get your team together and send in your application today. See Vendor Application and Cook-Off Rules Below*

Be a part of one of the biggest weekends in Waxhaw! Exhibitor and Concessionaire Applications are available below.

- Concessionaire Application-Autumn Treasures 2010.pdf
- Autumn Treasures Exhibitor Application.pdf
- BBQ Cook-Off Rules-corrected PDF.pdf
- BBQ Vendor App.-use (2010).pdf

Field-trip Time!

"Autumn Treasures" will be held the second weekend in October in Downtown Waxhaw. The event highlights some of our finest local artisans and craftsman. Other features include live entertainment, food and a Kids Zone.

...and don't forget The Town is planning a BBQ Competition for September.... No, this has been moved to October to coincide with the Autumn Treasures Event! Autumn Treasures 2010 will be held this year on October 9 and 10. Keep and eye out for that, Mm mm-Mm!

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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!

AT 120 DEGREES IN AUSTRALIA , IT WAS SO HOT FOR A WEEK THAT KOALAS WERE ASKING PEOPLE FOR WATER.

IT'S NEVER BEEN SEEN BEFORE



ONE WENT TO A HOUSE TO TRY TO HIDE FROM THE HEAT AND TO GET A BIT OF SHADE AND HERE'S WHAT HAPPENED WHEN THE OWNER GAVE HIM SOMETHING TO DRINK.

"Until one has loved an animal, part of their soul remains unawakened."

I was stopped for speeding the other day....

This morning I went to sign my Dogs up for welfare.



At first the lady said, "Dogs are not eligible to draw welfare".

So I explained to her that my Dogs are mixed in color, unemployed, lazy, can't speak English and have no clue who their Daddys are.

They expect me to feed them, provide them with housing and medical care, and feel guilty because they are dogs.

So she looked in her policy book to see what it takes to qualify.

My Dogs get their first checks Friday.

This is a great country



I have always thought you should learn something new every day.

Unfortunately many of us are at that age where what we learn today, we forget tomorrow. But, give it a shot anyway.



Dear Diary- You'll never guess what I FINALLY caught today...

Here's a solution to all the controversy over full-body scanners at the airports:

All we need to do is develop a booth that you can step into that will not X-ray you, but will detonate any explosive device you may have hidden on or in your body. The explosion will be

contained within the sealed booth.

This would be a win-win for everyone. There would be none of this stuff about racial profiling and the device would eliminate long and expensive trials.

This is so simple that it's brilliant. I can see it now: you're in the airport terminal and you hear a muffled explosion.

Shortly thereafter an announcement comes over the PA system, "Attention standby passengers, we now have a seat available on flight number..."



I THOUGHT I COULD TALK MY WAY OUT OF IT UNTIL THE COP LOOKED AT MY DOG IN THE BACK SEAT.

To Pee Or Not To Pee

Problem is.....this makes tooooooooooo much sense !!

Like most folks in this country, I have a job. I work, they pay me. I pay my taxes & the government distributes my taxes as it sees fit.

In order to get that paycheck, in my case, I am required to pass a random urine test (with which I have no problem).

What I do have a problem with is the distribution of my taxes to people who don't have to pass a urine test.

So, here is my question: Shouldn't one have to pass a urine test to get a welfare check because I have to pass one to earn it for them?

Please understand, I have no problem with helping people get back on their feet. I do, on the other hand, have a problem with helping someone sitting on their BUTT----doing drugs while I work.

Can you imagine how much money each state would save if people had to pass a urine test to get a public assistance check?

I guess we could call the program "URINE OR YOU'RE OUT"!

P.S. Just a thought, all politicians should have to pass a urine test too!

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