NUMBERS TO REMEMBER

EMERGENCY: 911

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY : 890-3335

CITY INFORMATION: 890-3000

CRIME PREVENTION: 807-5433

FIRE PREVENTION: 831-6392

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DO YOUR PART TO PREVENT WATER POLLUTION

Please observe the following eight practices to prevent water pollution:

- Pet Waste – Pick up pet waste and place it in a bag, seal it and dispose of it in the garbage or bury the waste at least five inches into the ground and away from storm drains and ditches;
- Litter – Dispose of litter, including cigarette butts, in the garbage, not on the ground or streets where it washes into the storm drain;
- Yard clippings – Dispose of leaves, grass clippings and yard debris properly. Put grass clippings back on the lawn, compost and use as mulch, or put in a bag or container for yard waste collection. Never sweep or blow leaves or yard debris into a storm drain, ditch or street;
- Pesticides and fertilizer – Apply lawn and garden chemicals at the proper times according to directions and never before it rains. Get a soil test for accurate fertilizer recommendations;
- Landscaping – Plant native species which require less fertilizer and help to control erosion by anchoring soil;
- Auto fluids – Keep your car tuned. Dispose of used motor oil, antifreeze and auto fluids at an auto parts store or the Wake County landfill;
- Car washing – Wash your car where the water will drain onto grass and dirt to absorb and filter the soapy water rather than running into a storm drain. Or take your car to a commercial car wash; and,
- Never dump, sweep, blow or rake anything into a storm drain, ditch or street.

For more information on preventing water pollution, contact the City of Raleigh Stormwater Services Division at 890-3931.

DON'T TRASH RALEIGH

The City's Don't Trash Raleigh program encourages members of civic clubs, churches, businesses, schools or any group or individual to collect litter along the Capital City's rights-of-way and parks.

By registering their litter collection effort with the City, groups are presented with a "Raleigh Good Guys" certificate at a city council meeting.

The anti-litter campaign also is the city's effort to remind or re-educate citizens to be personal "good guys" by disposing of their trash properly, discouraging others from littering and picking-up and properly disposing of others' litter, either as a part of an organizational effort or as an individual.

For more information on the Don't Trash Raleigh program, contact the City's Public Affairs Department at 890-3100 or visit www.raleighnc.gov then click on "departments" then Public Affairs.

RECYCLE YOUR OLD LICENSE PLATES

North Carolina's vehicle license plates are getting a makeover by the North Carolina Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). In April, DMV will begin replacing existing plates with an updated version. The oldest plates will be replaced first.

The new standard plates for private automobiles will continue the "First in Flight" design, but will carry red letters and numbers rather than the blue letters and numbers now in use. Owners are encouraged to take their old plates to license plate agencies for recycling. Raleigh DMV Offices are at the following addresses:

DMV Headquarters
1100 New Bern Avenue
715-7000

Holly Park Shopping Center
3070 Wake Forest Road
872-2815

West Raleigh
3231 Avent Ferry Road
816-9197

North Raleigh
River Place Commerce Center
9701 Capital Blvd., Suite. 110
570-1016, 570-1029,
570-0321

LITTER – EITHER THROWN OR BLOWN IS ILLEGAL

North Carolina law states that whether it is blown, scattered, spilled, thrown or placed upon any public property or private property (not owned by the offender) litter is against the law.

North Carolina citizens can reduce litter by reporting violations of the state's litter law through the Swat-A-Litterbug Program. Motorists who witness littering incidents can record the license plate number, date and location of the violation and forward this information to the North Carolina Department of Transportation's Office of Beautification. Offenders will receive a letter outlining the litter laws along with a free car-litter bag. Citizens can report litterbugs directly by completing a Swat-A-Litterbug agent report on line at www.ncdot.org/programs. Forms also can be obtained by calling 715-3188.

YOUR GARBAGE CONTAINER BELONGS ON YOUR PROPERTY

The Raleigh City Council has amended the Municipal Code to clarify that garbage, yard waste and recycling containers must be placed at the street curb, alley or "other City-approved location" on the property from which the garbage was generated by no later than 7 a.m. on the designated collection day.

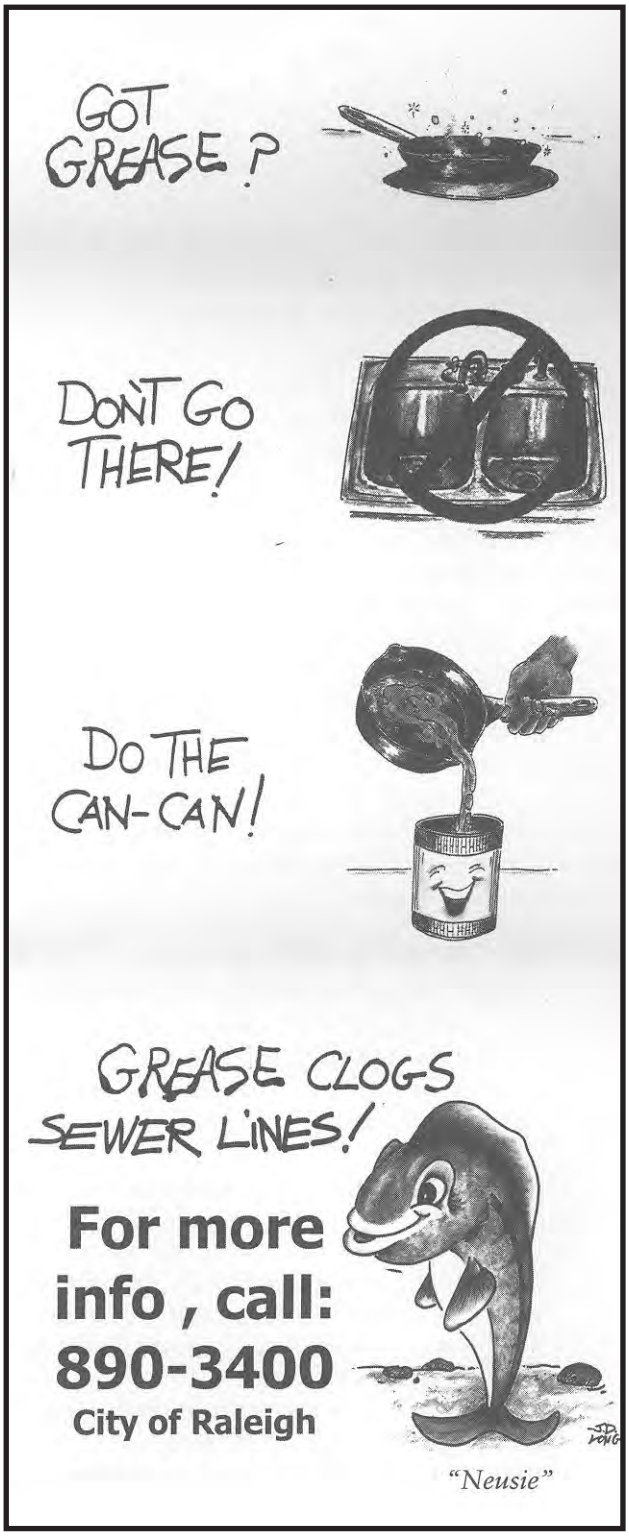
CITY OFFERS LOOK AT CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS

The City of Raleigh is making it much easier for residents to keep current on the progress of capital improvement projects. "Under Construction: Capital Improvements" is a quarterly look at capital projects being undertaken by the City. The 30-minute program airs on the City's RTN11, which is cable channel 11, and is updated every 90 days.

For viewing times, check out the City's website at www.raleighnc.gov then click "How Do I" and then "Find the RTN Schedule." The program is produced by the City's Public Affairs Department.

TRANSIT-ORIENTED DEVELOPMENT LECTURE – MAY 10

The City of Raleigh will present "Transit-Oriented Development: How Do We Get There from Here?" This is the second in the Designing A 21st Century City 2007 Lecture Series and will be held on Thursday, May 10 at 6:00 pm in the Progress Energy Center for the Performing Arts. Admission is free but registration is recommended. For more information and to register, contact Trisha Hasch at trisha.hasch@ci.raleigh.nc.us or call 807-8480.



Raleigh Curbside Recycling
REMEMBER
to recycle every week -- (same day as your cart pickup). Questions call
Raleigh Recycling
831-6890