

MOUNT CROGHAN SC

Community Newsletter

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A New Administration Begins



Mayor—Kevin Griggs

As a new year begins, I would like to take time to thank you again for your support.

As your new Mayor, I will be available to hear your comments and concerns. We all can work together to make and keep Mt. Croghan a great place to live.

Currently the Town Council and I are moving forward looking to secure grants for beautification of our little town. We have recently been awarded a Palmetto Pride Grant to do the landscaping beside the Museum.

During former Mayor Gordan's tenure, Mt. Croghan has progressed and I would like to continue that trend.

Thank you again for allowing me the opportunity to serve as your Mayor.

Kevin Griggs

Mayor Presents Check to VFD



As in years past, Mount Croghan once again gave a generous donation to the Mount Croghan-Ruby Fire Station. The check, in the amount of \$1,000.00, was presented to Chief Randy Gullledge and other

volunteer fire fighters January 19 at the Ruby Fire Station. Donations are vital in the maintaining of volunteer fire stations especially during these economically difficult times when funding has been cut. According to Chief Gullledge much of the donation will go to replacing a broken heater at the Mount Croghan station and also purchasing an air compressor.

Previous donations assisted in purchasing the fire station dog suit and also went to T-shirts and other supplies for Fire Prevention Week, which educates school-aged children on the dangers of fire and how to prevent fire-related accidents. Of the donations, Chief Gullledge stated, "It's needed and greatly appreciated."

Beth Leonard

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Upcoming Events

Spring Community Clean-Up Week

March 29—April 3
 Downtown Cleanup
 Sat April 3, 9:00am
 - Cookout -
 - Bound By Him Gospel band -
 - Easter Egg hunt,
 12:00 Noon at Rivers Park -
 (weather permitting)
Rain date—April 10
Cleanup & Cookout Only

Mount Croghan Homecoming

Saturday, Sept 25
 Museum Grounds
 12:00pm—4:00pm

Fall Community Clean-Up Week

Nov 1—Nov 6
 Downtown Cleanup
 9:00am Sat Nov 6
 Rain date—Nov 13

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Russell Jenkins



Historical Facts/Myths of Mt. Croghan

The story is told about back in the 1930's Mt. Croghan had its own constable. That is one step below a sheriff according to my research. Our constable was a hefty man around the middle and sometimes you might detect a little dribble of chewing tobacco here or there, but he was THE MAN.

A farmer in the area had bought a mule on credit with a promise to make payments. After a period of time with no payments, the constable was informed of the situation. The constable drove to the farm and pulled up beside the field where the farmer was plowing. When the farmer came by the constable's car he stopped the plowing. The constable told him he had come to get the mule that had not been paid for. After unhooking the mule the constable led it over to the car and tied it to the door handle. The constable then opened the trunk of the car, picked up the plow and put it in the trunk. The farmer said that the plow was not part of the deal, to which the constable replied you don't have a mule so you don't need the plow. Well you just don't argue with the law.

I suppose the moral of the story is that even back then it was the same as it is now, if you don't pay your debts you could lose more than you think.

Russell Jenkins

Mt Croghan Christmas Ornament

A limited number of the Mt. Croghan School Ornaments are still available at a cost of \$12.00. They can be purchased at the Mt. Croghan Country Cafe or by contacting Hospice of Chesterfield County (843)623-9155.

Town Receives Palmetto Pride Grant



Mayor Kevin Griggs and council member Lillie Mae Gordan traveled to Columbia, South

Carolina January 20 to accept the Community Pride Grant on behalf of Mount Croghan. The grant, in the amount of \$1,484.00, will assist in landscaping the area beside the museum.

Grants such as these are awarded through South Carolina's Palmetto Pride Anti-Litter Organization and are necessary for the continued beautification of our town. Mayor Griggs stated, "This grant will purchase the plants we need and we're very proud to have received it."

Beth Leonard

Every person counts.



IT'S IN OUR HANDS

Chesterfield County was shorted somewhere between 8,000 to 15,000 people since Census 2000. Our

county has lost about \$10 million over the last decade.

Chesterfield County receives \$66 per person in tax dollars — a population increase of 10,000 would generate an additional \$660,000 annually and \$6.6 million over a ten-year period.



2009 Christmas Decorating

November 29 provided cool but clear weather for the town's annual Christmas tree lighting. Along with the usual bows and tree lights were hand-crafted decorations filling the grassy area beside the museum.

Mrs. Edith Adkinson donated the hand-crafted Christmas decorations and her late husband Mr. Charles Adkinson made them. The beautiful wooden Santa sleighs and deer were set around a manger scene along with other decorative items. After all the lights were strung, participants joined together for food and fellowship. Santa Claus made a very special appearance and presented children, young and old alike, with a candy cane and the age old question of what they'd like for Christmas. It was an afternoon well spent preparing the town for the Christmas holiday.

Beth Leonard