

MOUNT CROGHAN SC

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NEW SIGN FOR THE MUSEUM



If you've driven through downtown Mt. Croghan recently, hopefully you have noticed the new sign on the front of the museum. The sign is a wonderful addition and adds the perfect touch to the museum grounds. Dr. Joseph Newsome and Dr. Shaw Newsome of Cheraw Family Medicine were vital in acquiring the sign. The Town of Mt. Croghan is grateful for their generosity and thanks them for their support.

Beth Leonard

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LISA JOHNSON RECEIVES GOVERNORS AWARD



Mount Croghan Town Council member Lisa Johnson was recently honored with the 2010 Governor's Distinguished Professor of the Year award. Ms. Johnson, who was nominated by her fellow colleagues for her dedication to teaching, is a business and office technology instructor at Northeastern Technical College. The awards ceremony took place during a special luncheon at the Statehouse in Columbia. Ms. Johnson has been with NETC since 2001 and has expanded her own education to include a Bachelor of Science in Business Management from Gardner-Webb University and a Masters of Education from Francis Marion University as well as a certificate in Higher Education Leadership from the University of South Carolina. Not only does she serve as a Town Council member and Beautification Chairperson for our town, she also advises the National Technical Honor Society at NETC. Regarding her career, Ms. Johnson stated, "Although teaching presents a different challenge each day, making a difference in someone's life by providing them with an education makes it all worthwhile."

Beth Leonard

UPCOMING EVENTS

Spring Community Clean-Up Week
Apr 18—Apr 23
Downtown Clean-up
9:00am Sat Apr 23
Rain date—Apr 30

Homecoming Festival
September 24
12:00pm—4:00pm

Christmas Tree Decorating
Nov 27
2:00pm

HOMECOMING QUEEN



Mount Croghan resident Taylor Self was recently crowned the 2011 Homecoming Queen for South Pointe Christian School in Pageland, SC. A senior at South Pointe, Taylor was nominated for the title by her peers. After graduating she hopes to continue her education at either Coastal Carolina or Pointe Park College in Pittsburgh, PA. Taylor is interested in pursuing a degree in Business Entertainment with a focus on make-up artistry.

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SPRING CLEAN-UP



Get your trash bags and Easter baskets ready! The Mayor and Town Council have designated the week of April 18 as the annual Spring clean-up for the town of Mt. Croghan. All residents are encouraged to participate by removing trash from their property and surrounding areas. The clean-up in the downtown area will be held on Saturday April 23, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. This will be followed by a cook-out and an Easter Egg Hunt at 12:00 noon. Trash bags, gloves, and safety vests will be available for the clean-up.

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COUNTRY CAFE

The Mount Croghan Country Cafe opened its doors to customers in March of 2008. Since then residents have had the convenient pleasure of



casual dining without having to drive to another town. They are open Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings from 5pm to 9pm and Saturday mornings from 6am to 11am. They offer nightly specials that may range from steak to seafood as well as a salad bar with fresh items. Along with the Country Cafe, Randy Griffin also owns Mickey's Restaurant in Pageland, SC. He and his staff are available for catering events such as weddings and reunions. The Country Cafe can also be reserved for events. The cafe can be reached at 843-634-6944 or Mickey's Restaurant at 843-672-7757.

Beth Leonard

NEW MUSEUM HOURS

The museum is open the first and third Sundays from 3pm to 5pm. It is closed during the months of December, January, and February.

EMBELLISH CUSTOM EMBROIDERY

I have opened a custom embroidery business out of my home. 14 Cross Street, Mt. Croghan. I can embroider things people already have or I can get the merchandise for them. A large portion of my business is in the equestrian world where I've done 'team' apparel which has sponsor and owner logos as well as awards for international competitions.

Embellish Custom Embroidery
843-634-2175, EmbellishLLC@gmail.com. My web site will be up soon at www.EmbellishLLC.net.

FIRE DEPARTMENT GETS DONATION



The Mount Croghan-Ruby Volunteer Fire Station plays an instrumental role in educating area children on fire safety. A recent \$1,000 donation from the Town of Mount Croghan will help them to continue to do just that. As with so many other organizations, funding has been cut from the station and donations are more important now than ever before. Area children, including those at Ruby Elementary, will take part in Fire Prevention Week. The volunteer fire fighters hand out t-shirts to students and also educates them on the dangers of fire. Fire fighters will also, time permitting, put on safety gear and allow the children to explore the fire trucks. Chief Randy Gullede stated, "We try to do something a little different every year for the kids, but our main goal is to educate them on fire safety." The generous donation from our town will help to allow the dedicated volunteers at the fire station continue their good deeds.

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MOUNT CROGHAN POPULATION BOOM



Dennis and Chastity Penny are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Grace Elizabeth. Weighing 7 lbs 14 ounces and 21 inches long, Grace was born on January 20, 2011. Big brother Dennis is very excited about his little sister!

Carmelo, Beth, and big brother Nathan Najera welcomed Drew Jordan on February 4, 2011. He weighed 6 lbs 10.5 ounces, and was 19 3/4 inches long. Nathan is happy and very proud to have a baby brother!



Anna Lindsey and Stacy McManus are pleased to introduce Ava Elizabeth, born on March 8, 2011. She weighed 7 lbs 15 ounces and 20 inches long and already has her parents wrapped around her tiny finger!

YARD OF THE MONTH APRIL



Kevin Griggs—Depot St.

CENSUS
2010

Mount Croghan is growing! Our little town saw the largest population increase (percentage wise) in the county for 2010 according to the recently released census. We grew 25.8% with an additional 40 people. That increases our population to 195. To put that in perspective, Cheraw grew only 5.9% with an additional 327 people and Pageland grew 9.5% with an additional 239 people. In 1950, our town's population was only 150 and it reached 155 by the year 2000.

Dell Chapman