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Did You Know. . . Florence Facts

What's in the Community Center (shared 05-21-26)

Did you know that there is a Community Center in Florence? This may seem like a silly question to some, but there are quite a few calls that come into the Town where people ask where to find the Community Center. It is located on Central Ave right next to Family Dollar at 749 Central Ave.

Did you know that the Town of Florence Office is also located in the Community Center building? Many people have been to the Community Center, but they don't necessarily realize that there are two doors on the front of the building. One door is for the Center and one is the Town Office door.

The Fire Department also shares the building as the back portion of the Community Center is the Fire Hall. They also use the Center for their monthly meetings. **Did you know that there is another group that uses the Community Center for meetings?** The Meyers Youngell American Legion Post also shares the building. This dates back to when the Community Center was first constructed. The American Legion used to own the building that is now the Florence Post Office. The Town approached the Legion about the possibility of using it for that purpose, so the Town gained that property for the post office. In exchange, the Legion was given 1/3 of the space at the Community Center. If you look at the front of the building you will see an American Legion logo on it as well as on the front door.

Did you know that the ADRC also has a meal site at the Community Center? The Florence meal site for ADRC is held Monday thru Thursday every week with lunch being served at 11:30 a.m. those days. They also prepare meals for home deliveries out of the kitchen for those who are not able to travel to the Center.

Did you know that the Town holds meetings at the Center? The Annual Town Meeting is held in the Center, but almost all other Town Board meetings are also held there. Occasionally a Town Board meetings will be held at the Florence Utility building in order to use the technology they have built into their boardroom and classroom. Side note: Town Board meetings are all public meetings. Many people come to the Annual Meeting to ask questions or learn what is happening in the Town, but regular Town Board meetings also share that type of information. There is usually an agenda item that allows the public to share comments or concerns and ask questions.

Did you know that anyone can rent out the Community Center? Sometimes it is used for other groups/organizations that hold meetings. It is commonly rented out for graduation and birthday parties, baby and bridal showers, weddings, celebrations of life, and fundraisers. It's a popular place to rent. There are approximately 15 tables and 80-100 chairs making it a great place to have an event. Typically, the rental price is based on what the center is being rented for. If it is a small event, the rental rate is \$100. If it is a larger events cost a more.

Did you know that there is a kitchen in the Community Center that is available for rentals as well? It has an oven, warming table, 3 basin sink and refrigerator/freezer. If the renter plans to serve out of the kitchen, there is no additional charge. If the renter wants to cook food in the kitchen, then there is a separate charge. Every renter also pays a \$100 security deposit that is due when the renter picks up the keys. If the Center is cleaned up and put back together like it was before the rental, the security deposit gets returned. Note: If the Center is being rented by non-County residents, there is a \$50 charge for using the building.