

# OUR TOWN

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## NEW MARKET AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The New Market Area Chamber of Commerce would like to thank everyone who helped with Heritage Days, especially to Chairman David Christ and his committee as well as Jim Douglas who chaired the Parade committee. A special added attraction this year was the participation of the Classic Cars from the Valley Cruisers.

The 50/50 Raffle, which was held for the first time this year was won by Mr. S. Plitman from Leesburg, VA. The amount won was about \$750, half of a total of \$1500 collected.

Parade winners listed below were awarded ribbons as follows: 1st place - Blue Ribbon ; 2<sup>nd</sup> place - Red Ribbon ; 3<sup>rd</sup> place - White Ribbon.

<u>Animal Groups:</u>	Democratic Party (Donkey) - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Band:</u>	Alpenhorn (Mr. Arthur Hegeman) - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Cars:</u>	<u>Antique:</u> 1936 Packard (Mr. Max Hepner) - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
	<u>Classic:</u> Blue Nova (Mr. Kenny Louk) - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
	1970 Chevy Truck (Mr. Kenneth Getz) - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
	1970 Olds (Mr. Darren Drary) - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
<u>Civic Group:</u>	Crossroads Inn - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Clowns:</u>	Clowns on stilts - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Commercial Entry:</u>	Holtzman Oil Corp. - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
	Shentel Pages Man - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Place
	Valley Towing - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Farm Machinery:</u>	Route 11 Equipment - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Fire Department:</u>	New Market, Fire Department - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Floats:</u>	Manor Memorial Methodist Church - 2 <sup>nd</sup> Place
	Southern Kitchen Restaurant - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Rescue Squads:</u>	Broadway EMS - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
<u>Walking Groups:</u>	Dr. Betty Karol Wilson and Ms. Susan Smith - 1 <sup>st</sup> Place

The Chamber will hold meetings on the following **Tuesdays** in 2008:

October 14th	Southern Kitchen	12:00 - 1:00 pm
November 11th	Open	
December 9th	Open	

## WHAT NOT TO PUT DOWN YOUR DRAIN!

As a homeowner or a tenant, you may have found yourself wondering if a certain item should be flushed down the toilet or garbage disposal at your location. Some items that should be kept out of your sewer lines and out of the Town's treatment plant include the following:

- Chemicals:
  1. motor oil and auto fluids
  2. pesticides, fertilizers and lawn care products
  3. bleach and disinfectants
  4. beauty products
  5. medicine
  6. paint, varnish, paint remover
  7. photographic chemicals

These types of chemicals should be taken separately from other garbage to the County Landfill. Some chemicals can harm the treatment plant as well as the environment.

- Trash:
  1. paper towels
  2. dental floss
  3. feminine products and applicators
  4. cat litter
  5. cigarettes
  6. plastics
  7. disposable diapers

Paper and plastic trash should be put in your garbage can or dumpster. These items can block the sanitary pipes in your house or in the street. They can cause overflows and backups.

- Fats, Oils and Grease
  1. Meat scraps and bones
  2. Vegetable and fruit

Fats oils, and grease that are poured down the drain can harden and block an entire pipe, causing sewer overflows and backups. Meat scraps and bones should be wrapped and put in your garbage can or dumpster. Vegetable & fruit scraps can be put in the garbage or in a compost pile.

Adhering to the above guidelines will help you as a citizen to experience fewer sewer backups at your location, saving yourself time, inconvenience and money.

## **MAYOR'S CORNER** – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO SPREAD THE WORD!

Do you like living in New Market? Have you told anybody about our Town lately? I believe we live in one of the most beautiful and historic places in the Shenandoah Valley and we should all be ambassadors for our Town. Do you know someone who's looking to start a business, someone who needs an office or a place to come just for rest and relaxation? What better place than New Market! We have rental places along Main Street. We have good parking, excellent restaurants, great lodging, and lots to do.

Let's not make New Market the best kept secret! Let's get the word out that we are an active and vital business and residential community

with a great quality of life. We can all contribute. Tell people about what we have available here, wave and smile to your neighbors, volunteer, get involved. It takes all of us working together to create a great town and community.

Remember, the next Mayor's forum is Wednesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the Town Hall. See you there, or maybe at a Town Council meeting, the Neighborhood Watch Group, the Council Committee meetings, a public hearing or best of all, walking down the streets of our great Town.

## AMERICAN LEGION NEWS

Mark your calendar for October 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 for the American Legion and Community Center Craft Show. American Legion will be making Homemade Apple butter on site on October 25<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to preorder, call Charlie White at 740-3437, Tom Wilkins at 740-4189, or Whitie Clements at 740-8180. Please leave your name, phone number and the amount you wish to purchase. The cost is \$5.00 per quart and \$3.00 per pint.

The American Legion will be doing BBQ Chicken on the second Saturday in October and November. Those will be the last BBQ Chicken sales for the season.

We continue to have a steak supper on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. Please call to order by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 740-3032 or 740-4189. Everyone is welcome.

The third Saturday of each month we have steamed shrimp available from 5pm-until. No ordering is necessary. Just show up. Everyone is welcome.

The Annual Sons of Legion Christmas Parade will be on December 6<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. Parade Lineup is at 12:00 noon. Santa will return to the Legion to see all the children and kids-at-heart. All entries for the Christmas Parade are welcome. Let's make this the biggest parade ever.

We still have the box at the top of the parking lot for those tattered flags.

Anyone interested in joining the American Legion, please call 740-3437.

Please continue to pray for all our veterans in harm's way and be thankful for all those who came home from wars to enjoy the freedom they fought for that we enjoy daily.

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## LIBRARY NEWS

This month we bid a fond farewell to the building which has been our library's home since the seventies. We thank Joe Tusing for the use of his historic home over those years. We honor his mother, Bessie and the other women who started the library and faithfully served at that location.

October 18, 2008 will be the final date of operation on Congress Street. All materials checked out from New Market should be returned by the 18<sup>th</sup>. After the 18<sup>th</sup>, materials may be dropped off at Mt. Jackson, Edinburg, or any county library branch. During the last two weeks of October, finishing touches will be made, shelving and computers installed, with "THE MOVE" occurring the final week. Plans are to have a green move, using a variety of conveyances powered by people rather than by gasoline. We look forward to help from students of Shenandoah Valley Academy and many other volunteers.

If all goes as planned, we will open the doors of the new library November 3, 2008. We invite citizens to drop by and visit on November 4<sup>th</sup> after voting!

### These new books arrived in September:

The Book of Lies

by Brad Meltzer

Fine Just the Way It Is

by Annie Proulx

The Other Queen

by Philippa Gregory

Indignation by Philip Roth

Paul of Dune by Brian Herbert

Hot Mahogany by Stuart Woods

Night of Thunder

by Stephen Hunter

The Comforts of a Muddy

Saturday by

Alexander McCall Smith

The Given by Dennis Lehane

Heat Lightning

by John Sandford

Final Justice by Fern Michaels

Hounded to Death

by Rita Mae Brown

Spoonful of Poison

by M.C. Beaton

The Letters by Luanne Rice

The Tale of Briar Bank

by Susan Wittig Albert

The Lucky One

by Nicholas Sparks

## NEW MARKET POLICE BLOTTER

### AUGUST 2008

During the month the Police Department responded to 470 calls for service. There were 5 physical arrests, all were DUI's. The officers worked 2 accidents, responded to 30 Mutual Aid calls to other agencies, and handled 2 Assault & Battery calls. There was 1 Vandalism with no property loss and 1 Shoplifting reported. The Police Department made 124 traffic stops and issued 56 summonses.

The next Neighborhood Watch Meeting will be on Thursday, October 2, 2008 at 7:00 pm at the Town Hall. Everyone is invited to attend. The more people that get involved, the safer your community will become.

Now that school is back in session you may have noticed that a police vehicle is following the school busses during their routes. There is nothing wrong! It is part of "Operation Stop", a program that the New Market Police Department started last year at the request of the bus drivers. They were having a problem with drivers not wanting to stop for the school busses while they were loading and unloading the children. This kind of driving behavior puts your children at risk and the Police Department takes this very seriously. Last year there were 2 drivers charged with this violation. Our goal with this program is to create a safe environment for the children. When you are driving, remember to look out for the children and please "Buckle Up".

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## GARDEN CLUBS

### COHEE GARDEN CLUB

The Cohee Garden Club met at the New Market Community Center on Monday, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008. President Janet Cardwell held a business meeting to discuss and plan upcoming events. We all thoroughly enjoyed making flower arrangements in a mug led by our own Betty Carter.

We planned for our annual reception for all members of the Town of New Market who received awards for landscaping. This will be held Friday, September 18<sup>th</sup> at the New Market Town Hall in the Council Chambers. We judged the Town with the help of members of the New Market Garden Club on Friday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The overall winners for 2008 are:

Business: Home Land Realty, 9586 S. Congress;

Residence: Ramona and Mark McDonald, 9679 S. Congress;

Window Boxes: Merrill and Janet Ware, 9505 S. Congress;

Containers: James and Barbara Wine, 9488 John Sevier.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at 7:00 pm in the New Market Town Hall Council Chambers. Our Speaker will be Cindy Frenzel of the Friends of the North Fork. Her presentation is entitled "The North Fork: My River, My Community, My Choice". We invite all interested members of the public to join us for this informative program.

### NEW MARKET GARDEN CLUB

The New Market Garden Club held its monthly meeting on September 15, 2008 in the New Market Seventh-Day Adventist Church Fellowship Hall. Hostesses were Janice White and Ruth Datsko.

A very informative program, "Timely Garden Tips with Emphasis on Pruning" was presented by Ethel Garber, an avid gardener. A member of the Club for fifty years, she is the Chairman of the Horticulture Committee.

Plans were made to attend the Shenandoah District Meeting in Staunton, VA on October 9, 2008. President Virginia Thompson will be our delegate.

Those receiving blue ribbons on horticulture were Virginia Thompson, 5; Dot Johnson, 4. Janice White received a blue ribbon on her artistic arrangement.

## NEW MARKET TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 2008

The New Market Town Council met on Monday, September 15, 2008 with all members present. The agenda was amended to include discussion and consideration of a contract received from Stearns & Wheler to do the surveying work on the pipeline and pump station project. This was separated out of the engineering contract, which the Council has already approved, because Mr. Johnson felt the Town would get a better deal that way. Mr. Johnson negotiated this surveying contract to insure that he gets the data he needs to do the engineering on the project. The Town staff had reviewed the contract and would recommend approval.

Two public hearings took place at the meeting. The first was to receive citizen comments on the proposed disposal of the old New Market Water Plant located on Smith Creek Road. Mr. John Chroniger, local citizen, asked if we are going to require removal of any hazardous materials. Mayor Smith replied, that the Town is not. Mr. Chroniger then asked if we were going to have waiver of liability should any issues arise from that. Mayor Smith said "Absolutely."

There were no more citizen comments for this public hearing. Mr. Ham reminded Council that the public hearing notice stated that we would inquire if there were any additional offers to purchase this property. There were no additional offers.

The second public hearing was to receive citizen comments on the proposed Inter-jurisdictional Agreement with the Town of Broadway concerning rules and regulations for the discharge of wastewater and the enforcement of such rules. There were no public comments on this issue.

The following actions were taken by the Council:

- Voted to adopt Resolution #186, reaffirming the Town's authorization to pick up the employee's contribution to the Virginia Retirement System. It was requested by the VRS that all localities adopt this resolution.
- Voted to designate Town Manager, Chris Boies as the Safety Coordinator as requested by the Virginia Municipal League's Insurance Division.
- Voted to approve the proposed contract with Land Planning & Design Associates, Inc. for surveying, design and construction documentation, and observation services for the Downtown Streetscape Project. This work will be funded 80% from grants previously awarded. The remaining 20% has been allocated in the current budget.
- Voted to accept the Public Works Committee's recommendation of Douglas Aquatics to perform a study of the Town pool facilities.
- Voted to grant the request by Valley Health to extend the conditional use permit for the Ambulatory Care Center. The permit was set to expire in October.
- Voted to adopt Ordinance No. 62 approving an interjurisdictional sewer use agreement with the Town of Broadway concerning rules and regulations for discharge of wastewater and the enforcement of such rules.
- Voted to approve the contract with Marsh & Legge, which Stearns & Wheler negotiated for us, to do the surveying work on the pipeline and pump station project.

### THE NEW MARKET COMMUNITY CENTER, INC.

The work on our replacement windows is almost complete. Work is progressing on the air conditioning and heat for the kitchen and cafeteria. Our natural gas bill has increased to \$1,350 per month this year (up from \$1,162). At the Center, because we have radiators with steam heat, the unoccupied temperature in the building must be set at 55

degrees. When we have rentals we raise the temperature to about 73 degrees. Since we have no zone boxes on the boiler, we have to raise the temperature in the entire building in order to heat either the cafeteria/kitchen or the gymnasium. We look forward to lowering our heating costs with the windows and the heat pump for the cafeteria/kitchen. Our next project will be to add a heat pump/air conditioner for the gymnasium. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. We continue to strive to be good stewards working to preserve this historic building for the citizens of New Market and the surrounding area.

The Center will hold our 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Craft Show on October 25 & 26, 2008. Hours will be 10:00 am - 4:00 pm. Admission is \$1.00 for adults and children over 12. Door prize drawings held every hour. Food furnished by Mt. Zion Lutheran Church Youth. The model train will be on display in the cafeteria. Kettlecorn and fried pork rinds outside. If you have any questions, please call Claudia Gray (740-4257).

Weight Watchers meet at the Center on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 pm You may call 800-651-6000 for further information.

Kathy Hurd-Corillo operates a dance studio Monday, Thursday and Friday nights at the Center. Her telephone number is 540-856-2214. New students are welcome.

For rentals at the Center, please contact **Claudia Gray at 540-740-4257**. We rent the cafeteria/kitchen and the gymnasium, as well as the classrooms. Check with us before you book your party elsewhere. We have a family-friendly atmosphere at the Center. Call for rental prices. The cafeteria will comfortably seat 100. For an additional fee, the kitchen is also available.

The Board Members have voted to offer, on a limited basis, space for public-service organizations to hold special events. The Center Board must approve these events in advance. Requests for meeting space are to be mailed to the Center at P.O.Box 1377, New Market, VA 22844. This is offered to assist those organizations needing a large meeting area.

### THE NEW MARKET LIONS CLUB

The Lions hosted a cookout for the residents of Shenandoah Valley Village on September 8, 2008. There was a large turnout and a good time was had by all. A special thanks to Dick Lamma and also to Shenandoah Valley Academy students Amanda Ndemo and Sandra Onekkena for assisting with the cooking and serving.

During the week of September 15<sup>th</sup>, the Club, along with the Mount Jackson Lions and Lioness Clubs, participated in the hearing and sight screening of students at Ashby Lee Elementary, North Fork Middle School, and Stonewall Jackson High School. This is an annual event that helps identify possible sight or hearing deficiencies in a student and refers them for professional care.

We hope you will stop by the New Market Community Center's craft show on October 25 or 26, 2008 and purchase one or more of our brooms. This is one of our efforts to help support our activities and service to the community.

### EMAIL NOTIFICATION

The Town of New Market would like to create a group email list in order to give citizens another way to be aware of events taking place in Town. By creating this list we will be able to email citizens regular notification of Committee Meetings, Council Meetings, and Public Hearings. We can also provide citizens with notification of water line repairs and road closures. If you would like to be included in this group email list, please provide us with your name and email address. You may email your information to [excassist@newmarketvirginia.com](mailto:excassist@newmarketvirginia.com) or you may drop it by the Town Office and give it to Donna Lohr.

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## October 2008

- 2 Neighborhood Watch Meeting 7:00 pm
- 3 Leaf and Grass Pickup
- 6 Council Committee Meetings 6:30 pm  
In the following order: (1) Finance  
And Personnel (2) Public Works TO  
(3) Public Safety (4) Tourism, Economic  
Development, and Historic Preservation 7:30 pm
- 6 Planning Commission Meeting 7:30 pm
- 10 Leaf and Grass Pickup
- 13 **Town Office Closed in Observance  
Of Columbus Day**
- 14 - 17 Large Trash Pickup
- 15 **Water/Sewer Bills Due**
- 15 Mayor's Forum at the Town Hall 7:00 pm
- 17 Leaf and Grass Pickup
- 24 Leaf and Grass Pickup
- 25 **Last Day to Pay Water/Sewer Bills  
Before Disconnect**
- 27 **Town Council Meeting** 7:30 pm
- 31 Leaf and Grass Pickup

## November 2008

- 3 Council Committee Meetings 6:30 pm  
In the following order: (1) Finance  
& Personnel (2) Public Works TO  
(3) Public Safety (4) Tourism, Economic  
Development, & Historic Preservation 7:30 pm
- 3 Planning Commission Meeting 7:30 pm
- 4 Election Day Polls Open 6:00 am &  
Close at 7:00 pm
- 6 Neighborhood Watch Meeting at  
The Town Hall 7:30 pm
- 7 Leaf & Grass Pickup
- 11 **Town Office Closed in Observance  
Of Veterans Day**
- 14 Leaf and Grass Pickup
- 15 **Water/Sewer Bills Due**
- 17 Town Council Meeting 7:30 pm
- 20 New Market Historical Society  
Meeting at the Town Hall 7:30 pm
- 21 Leaf and Grass Pickup- Last one for this year
- 27 & 28 **Town Office Closed for Thanksgiving**

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### TOWN COUNCIL

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Harry Durrett • Ripley R. Click • Gary D. Comer • Troy Fadeley • Charles E. Litten  
Jason J. Ham, Town Attorney

### ADMINISTRATION

Chris Boies ..... *Town Manager*  
Charles Peery ..... *Police Chief*  
Jeanne K. Rinker ..... *Town Clerk*  
Chad Neese ..... *Town Planner/Zoning Administrator*

Michael Ritchie ..... *Public Works Director*  
Teresa Green ..... *Treasurer*  
Donna Lohr ..... *Administrative Assistant*

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