

MAYOR'S CORNER

Leadership is vital to every country, military, church, social or fraternal organization as well as for our schools and scouts. Without an intelligent, strong and honest leader, then it is only a short while before the organization begins to falter as the members lose confidence. Well, I am very proud of my council, YOUR council, with their recent decision to hire Mr. Nathan Garrison as our new Town Manager. You will find that Nathan fills each of the aforementioned characteristics of a good leader.

Soon out of high school, Mr. Garrison worked as the Assistant Director of the Grand Caverns Tourism and Parks, quickly rising to the position of Director. Acknowledging his leadership skills the Town of Grottoes elected him to be their Town Manager in 2018. Nathan broadened his experience in leadership by accepting a position with the Central Shenandoah Planning District Commission (CSPDC). The District covered the counties, cities and towns of Augusta, Bath, Highland, Rockbridge, and Rockingham. He assisted these jurisdictions with land use planning, transportation, water and wastewater utilities, as well as economic and community development.

As Nathan continued his desire to assist developing relationships between communities and businesses he moved his talents to the Shenandoah Valley Partnership Business Development Management. There he worked with cultivating community relationships within public, private and education sectors. This included, but was not limited to, assisting localities with economic and community development grants. He helped coordinate state led investment projects as well as worked with over 130 private investors.

All of his accomplishments aside, Nathan is first and foremost proud to be known as father of Elouise, his soon to be 2 year old daughter, and husband to Nicole. All are lifetime residents of Rockingham County. We are excited to have Nathan guide our town with his past experience and valuable contacts to draw from. Most importantly is his honesty, because without that characteristic "all else is sinking sand". Please welcome Nathan if you should see him around town. In the coming month, we will hold an event for the residents to meet and welcome Nathan. Once you meet him, you will understand why I am excited for our future.

Larry A. Bompiani
New Market Mayor

TRICK OR TREAT ON CONGRESS ST.

Come to downtown New Market and enjoy a fun evening of trick or treating with the local businesses. Starting at 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. the participating businesses will be handing out candy or hosting other fun activities.

There will be music in the streets provided by Sound Solutions and the New Market Police Department will be handing out glow bracelets to the trick-or-treaters.

YOU ARE INVITED!

WHERE: Reformation Lutheran Church
9283 Congress St.

What: Home Cooked Lunch and Fellowship

When: 11:00 a.m. (First Thursday of every Month)

Everyone is welcome! Please come!
Freewill offering/donations accepted

ACH AVAILABLE FOR PAYMENT OF YOUR UTILITY BILL

We know how busy our customers are and how quickly the due date comes around for water/sewer bills. We want to remind citizens that we offer the option of paying their water bill through automatic deduction (ACH) from their bank account each month. This could save writing a check, paying postage, or even a trip to the Town Office. Forms for ACH can be picked up in the Town Office or downloaded from the Residents tab of the Town's website, www.newmarketvirginia.com. Completed forms should be returned to the Town Office. Automatic deductions will be deducted from your bank account on the fifteenth of each month, unless it falls on a weekend or holiday; then it will be deducted on the next business day. The amount due on your bill is the amount that will be deducted from your account. If you have questions or want to know more about this service, please call the Town Office at 540-740-3432.

LIBRARY NEWS

Happy Fall! We hope you will include a library visit to your autumn plans.

Children's programs:

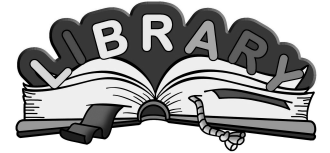
- Books and Babies-Wednesday, October 4th at 10:00 am. A special time for our youngest friends, under age 3 with stories, rhymes and more.
- Preschool Story time-Friday, October 20th at 10:00 am, for Fall Frolics and Autumn Antics!

Trick or Treat at the Library-October 31st from 5:00 pm-7:00 pm. Each child will receive a Halloween book!

The October adult series program, Sunday afternoon, October 8 @ 2:00 pm.

Our speaker will be Karl Rhodes, author of "Peggy's War." Mr. Rhodes of Richmond, Virginia will share his research and true story of Margaret "Peggy" Rhodes, the

great, great-grandmother of the author, who lived as a Union sympathizer during the Civil War. Mrs. Rhodes ran a busy depot on the underground railroad that helped draft dodgers and deserters escape the Confederacy. She did so while her husband, Henry, was dying of consumption. She also ran the farm, raised five children, and served as a postmaster for the underground, run by Mennonites and Dunkards. She concealed deserters of the Confederate army in a secret cellar under her bedroom floor. In his research, Karl wanted to learn more about the topic of Mennonites' and Dunkards' role in the Civil war. "I want people to understand the convictions of peace churches," Rhodes said, "and the Civil War gives great context for just that."



MOVIE NIGHTS IN THE PARK 2023

Watch a movie under the stars in the New Market Community Park!

Date: Saturday, October 14th, 2023

Movie Title: Monsters University

Time: Sundown-approx. 7:00 p.m.

Where: New Market Community Park
9670 Cadet Rd, New Market

Cost: FREE



For the best evening, make sure to bring a chair/blankets and snacks for viewing comfort. Dogs are allowed, but **MUST** be on a leash, and owners are to be mindful of others.

Thank you to our sponsors Sheila Hall, Realtor with Coldwell Banker Premiere, and Southern Kitchen

OUR TOWN ENHANCEMENT COMMITTEE

Are you interested in helping with Town events like Cross Roads Music Fest? Are you more interested in public art projects? Do you have graphic design talent, or interest in cultivating partnerships?

Then we are looking for YOU! The Our Town Enhancement committee focuses on improving the quality of life in New Market by creating a unique and thriving downtown environment, preserving our Town's history, strengthening our position as a recreation and tourism destination and establishing sense of place by developing community pride and involvement.

If you are interested in learning more, or signing up, contact Amber Smoot at 540-740-3432 or a.smoot@newmarketvirginia.com

HEAVY TRASH PICK-UP OCTOBER 2023

The Town's Public Works Crews will be collecting heavy trash items **ONE LAST TIME THIS YEAR**. This month, they will be out picking up your heavy trash items from Monday, Oct 16th through Friday, Oct 20th. Please place all heavy trash curbside. Crews will not go onto private property to make collections. This service is provided to our residential customers only. Crews will pick up trash by item type during the week and will have all trash picked up by the end of the day on Friday, Oct 20th, 2023. Brush and limbs must be tied in bundles no longer than four feet in length. **To ensure removal, all heavy trash should be placed curbside no later than 7:00 am on Friday, Oct 20th, 2023.** Due to State laws governing the operation of the Shenandoah County Landfill, the Town is unable to remove old TVs, computers, tires, or hazardous materials such as pesticides, herbicides, paint, paint thinner, etc. For instruction on where to take the aforementioned items, you may call the Shenandoah County Landfill at 540-984-8573. Thank you for your cooperation.



LOAVES AND FISHES FOOD PANTRY



Loaves and Fishes food pantry is located in the basement of Manor Memorial Methodist Church (9320 North Congress Street). The basement entrance is located in the back of the Church along John Sevier Road. The pantry is open to all on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Next food pantry is Thursday Oct 19, 2023.

NEW MARKET FIRE AND RESCUE NEWS

During the month of August, crews at our station ran 196 calls for service. Of those 196, 137 were medical calls and 59 were fire related, with 121 being within the town limits.

As a reminder, Fire Prevention Week is October 8th through October 14th. Reach out to us at (540) 740-8904 to schedule a visit to our station, or you plan to visit us during our open house scheduled for October 7th from 11AM to 3PM. Take a tour of our building, check out the apparatus, meet a few of our members, and enjoy some demonstrations and light refreshments!

Halloween will be quick to follow, plan one more visits to us for several treats and only a few tricks! We will be set up at our station with candy and goodie bags for kids of all sizes. If you're not interested in candy, that's okay, we'll have a fire truck sitting outside for everyone to get their picture taken with!

As many of you are aware, we hosted our annual Fall Fling event on September 23rd. We wanted to thank everyone who supported us for this event; it was a huge success!

Don't miss out on our events! Find, like, and follow us on Facebook at New Market Fire and Rescue in order to see our events and keep up to date with our posts.

Lastly, we are always looking to add to our membership. If you feel compelled to volunteer with us, stop by and pick up an application. All volunteers are needed. Active membership includes running calls; however, we also need members behind the scenes to assist in fundraising and public outreach events!

Thank you for your continued support to our department!



CROSS ROADS MUSIC FEST 2023

We are back with our 9th annual Cross Roads Music Fest! This fun, family friendly, community oriented music series has become a staple for summer entertainment.

October 6th - Big City Band

All concerts are FREE ADMISSION and start at 6:30 p.m. at the New Market Rebel Baseball Field.

There will be food trucks on site, and a beer/wine garden. (Must be at least 21 years old to consume/purchase alcohol and NO outside alcohol is permitted). Dogs are not permitted in the baseball field.

SHENANDOAH VALLEY ACADEMY FARM PRODUCE MARKET

Wednesdays 3:00-6:00 pm
100 Bindery Rd, New Market, VA
Cash only
Bring your own bags if you can 😊

Students in the agriculture science class and student worker program grow seasonal produce and sell it at our weekly farm produce market.

For October, we will have the following: homemade bread from our homegrown wheat, broccoli, kale, cauliflower, kohlrabi, cabbage, carrots, beets, radish, spinach, lettuce, microgreens, butternut squash, sweet potato, cherry tomato, and apples.

MAINTAIN ACCESS TO YOUR WATER METER

It is very important that customers maintain clear access to their water meters from the public right-of-way. Obstacles that may block the radio signals include building materials, foliage and metal objects located between the street and the meter pit.

All town water customers are responsible for the upkeep of the area between their meter pit and the street. Please assist us by trimming foliage and by clearing snow and ice from the lid of the meter pit. Landscaping or fencing should be kept at least 1-3 feet from the meter pit.

Maintain access to your water meter to assist us with:

- Meter Reading
- Emergency shutoffs (for frozen pipes) when you are away from home or are unable to turn off the water yourself; and
- Emergency water meter maintenance

FREE CONCERT SERIES IN NEW MARKET

The New Market Adventist Church and the Shenandoah Valley Academy are hosting a series of 3 concerts in November and December for anyone who would like to attend. They are as follows:

- **A Better Covenant Band**

Andrew & Darby Shultz
Saturday, November 4, 2023 at 5:00pm
New Market Adventist Church
62 W. Lee Hwy, New Market

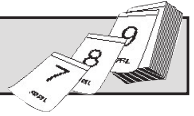
- **Candlelight Concerts**

Friday, December 15, 2023 at 8:00pm
Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 4:00pm
New Market Adventist Church
62 W. Lee Hwy, New Market

- **Christmas Pop Concert**

Shenandoah Valley Academy Music Groups
Saturday, December 16, 2023 at 8:00pm
Shenandoah Valley Academy Gym
234 W. Lee Hwy, New Market

CALENDAR OF EVENTS



October 2023

- 6 Crossroads Music Fest at Rebel Park-
Big City Band 6:30-9:00 pm
- 6 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 9 Town Office Closed in Observance of Columbus Day
- 13 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 14 Movie Night in the Park at sundown (approx. 8:00 pm)
- 15 Water/Sewer Bills Due
- 16 Town Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- 16-20 Heavy Trash Pickup
- 20 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 27 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 31 Trick or Treat on Congress Street 5:00 pm -7:00 pm

November 2023

- 3 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 7 Town Office Closed for Election Day
- 10 Town Office Closed in Observance of Veterans Day
- 15 Water/Sewer Bills Due
- 18 Lawn and Leaf Pickup
- 21 Town Council Meeting 6:30 pm
- 22 Town Office Closes at Noon
- 23-24 Town Office Closed in Observance of Thanksgiving
- 27 Lawn and Leaf Pickup (Monday)



TOWN OF NEW MARKET CONTACT INFORMATION

Emergency Services:

Emergencies: 911
 Shenandoah County Dispatch: 540-459-6101
 Police Department: 540-740-3776
 Fire and Rescue: 540-740-8904

New Market Town Office: 540-740-3432

Dispatch: 540-459-6101
 (After-hours and weekend Water/Sewer Emergencies)

Town of New Market

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
 (540) 740-3432 • www.newmarketvirginia.com
 9418 John Sevier Road • P.O. Box 58 • New Market, VA 22844

TOWN COUNCIL

Larry Bompiani, Mayor • Peggy Harkness, Vice Mayor
 Scott Wymer • Daryl Watkins • Bob King • Janice Hannah • Peter Hughes
 Jason J. Ham, Town Attorney

ADMINISTRATION

Nathan Garrison *Town Manager*
 Chris Rinker..... *Police Chief*
 Teresa Green..... *Town Treasurer*
 J.D. Fadley.....*Public Works Director*

Savannah Frazier *Events & Marketing Director*
 Amber Smoot..... *Executive Assistant*
 Lindsey Kipps *Office Assistant*
 De Prunka..... *Office Assistant*

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