

The Strasburg Signal



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Official Newsletter of the Town of Strasburg, Virginia

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The Strasburg Signal is published monthly by Town staff to inform citizens about town programs, services, and events. Your feedback is welcome. For suggestions, please contact the Town Office at 174 East King Street, PO Box 351, Strasburg, VA 22657, call (540) 465-9197, or email info@strasburgva.com

Strasburg GRILLED CHEESE + TOMATO SOUP FESTIVAL

10+ unique GC & TS tastes
\$15 entry fee • 10 & under FREE!

Nov 7
11AM - 4PM

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT EVENTBRITE.COM OR Strasburg's Visitor Center!

For more information call 540.465.5884



STRASBURG MUSEUM COMMEMORATIVE INKWELL



During the Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup Festival (November 7), the Strasburg Museum will be selling inkwells at Strasburg Square, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., \$30 each. Proceeds will benefit the Strasburg Museum.

First come – First serve --- NO pre-orders. One inkwell per

person on day of the event, but if it is not a sell-out, you may re-enter the line to buy another.

Inkwells made by Shenandoah Potters Guild.

Other pottery creations will also be on sale.

DID YOU KNOW TAX TIDBIT?

Be on the lookout for your second-half 2020 real estate and personal property tax bills. If you have not received these statements in your mailbox by November 10th, please contact the Town Office at 540-465-9197. Please remember the Town of Strasburg bills for personal property owned on January 1, 2020, so even if you have sold a vehicle this year, you will owe the taxes on that vehicle for 2020.



YOU ARE INVITED

The Town of Strasburg, along with Shenandoah County and the State of Virginia, will celebrate the dedication and unveiling of a historical site in honor of Sunset Hill School.

Sunset Hill School was an African American School that existed in segregated Shenandoah County and Virginia.

The dedication will begin at Noon on November 14th, 2020 on Strasburg's Market Square. Following the dedication, there will be an unveiling of the historic marker at the Sunset Hill School site on Sunset Street, Strasburg, Virginia

All are invited to attend this historic event.

LEAF PICK-UP

The Town of Strasburg Public Works Department will be collecting leaves from the curb during the month of November. **LEAVES SHOULD NOT BE BAGGED!**

Crews will repeatedly canvas areas to remove leaves from the edge of streets; please, **DO NOT** blow leaves into the center of the street. If you miss a pick-up, don't worry! Crews will be back for your leaves on the next pass through your area. Here are a few tips to help make this clean-up safer and easier for all:



- DO NOT place trash, brush, garden trimmings, limbs, rocks, gravel, metal, or animal waste out for pick-up or mix with leaves. The program is designed for collection and recycling of leaves ONLY and other items cause major problems to the equipment and is a safety hazard to workers.
- Rake leaves approximately 18" out from gutters. If non-guttered, rake to the shoulder of the street, but not into the street.
- Do not park vehicles on piled leaves in gutters as crews cannot reach them.
- Do not soak leaves with water as this causes them to become too heavy for both men and machines to handle.



YOUR VOTE COUNTS **ELECTION DAY:** **YOUR VOTE COUNTS**
Tuesday, November 3rd, 2020
 Strasburg residents vote at the Strasburg High School
 250 Ram Drive, Strasburg, VA

DID YOU KNOW: Your Child Can Receive a Free Letter From Santa!

The Town of Strasburg, working with Santa's Elves, will once again be sending out letters from Santa. Santa's mailbox will be located in front of Town Hall. Your child may drop their letters off to Santa **BEFORE 8 a.m.**, on **Monday, December 14th**.




If you cannot come to the mailbox, email Amy Keller at akeller@strasburgva.com. Parents (or grandparents) need to provide the following: child's name, mailing address, age, gender, and a phone number where you can be contacted in case of questions.

REMINDER: All letters, either dropped in the mailbox or emailed, must be received BEFORE 8 a.m. on Monday, December 14th.

There is a turn-around time in getting letters to the North Pole and then back again, so we don't want any disappointed children waiting for a letter from Santa. **The mailbox will be in place by Monday, November 16th.**



NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	10 – Town Council, 7 p.m.
3 – ELECTION DAY , 6 a.m. – 7 p.m., Strasburg High School	16 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.
7 - Grilled Cheese & Tomato Soup Festival, 11 a.m. – 4 p.m., Downtown Strasburg	26 & 27 – Town Hall CLOSED, Thanksgiving 

TIS THE SEASON IN STRASBURG
Discover the Festive Side of Strasburg!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH, 2020

Mistletoe Market
 11:00–2:00PM
 Strasburg Square
 Hosted by the Strasburg Farmers Market

Hot Cocoa Connections + Carolers
 2:00–4:00PM
 Strasburg Square
 Stop by to sample free cocoa + meet local orgs!

Tis the Season Christmas Parade on King
 4:30PM (line-up 3:30)
 Hosted by the Strasburg Business Alliance
 All questions contact: 540.459.2542

Following the Parade
 Tree Lighting Ceremony in the Square
 Visit with Santa + Mrs. Claus
 Located at the Strasburg Fire Department

P: 540.465.9197 E: ohilton@strasburgva.com

STRASBURG VIRGINIA

Please, visit www.strasburgva.com for a Parade Application. Applications due on December 1, 2020.

PARADE PROCEDURES
Discover the Festive Side of Strasburg!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5TH

- Line-up begins at 3:30PM and ends at 4:15PM
- Parade begins at 4:30PM on the corner of Capon/King Streets
- Please enter onto Washington Street to continue to your designated stage
- Volunteers will be wearing purple Santa hats and reflective vests
- All entries must be decorated with a holiday theme
- State law requires that nothing be thrown from any entry. Promotional materials, candy, flyers, etc. must only be given out by "gloved" hands and facemasks worn
- Participants are responsible for their own litter and animal droppings
- Open fires or flames are not permitted by order of the Fire Marshal.
- Exhibitions of speed, reckless driving, wheelies, etc. are prohibited
- Please refrain from including a Santa in your entry
- Entries are encouraged to display the business or organization name
- An adult must be present with children on floats or walking units.
- Participants on a float must be following the Covid-19 physical distancing requirements, which may limit the # of participants on your float.
- All units are required to continue moving forward and maintain the parade flow
- Parade entries must remain within the parade route until the parade concludes at the intersection of King/Massanutten
- No alcohol or smoking is allowed on the parade entries
- This parade is a family-friendly event for all ages. All costumes, outfits, behavior, attitude, language, and dance moves must be appropriate for a young audience.
- This event is rain or shine! If interstate traffic is forced to interfere with the parade route, then the parade route will be shifted to Queen Street. Line-up will be the same.
- To be considered for participation into future Christmas parades, we ask that you comply with these procedures

Let's have a great time and kick-off the magical holiday season safely for our families and community! Thank you!

Questions? Please contact Strasburg Business Alliance, c/o Shenandoah County Chamber director@shenandoahcountychamber.com 540.459.2542

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