

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.

DID YOU KNOW.....

The Virginia Municipal League (VML) invites all eligible Virginia 7th Graders to join its "If I were Mayor" essay contest.



DEADLINE: Friday, March 3 at 5 p.m.

View Details and Rules & Regulations at

<https://www.vml.org/education/essay-contest/>

Regional winners selected from around the state will each receive a \$150 gift card and a plaque. One statewide winner chosen from the regional winners will receive a \$250 gift card and plaque. The runner-up from the region that receives the statewide award will become that region's winner.

DO YOU KNOW? TAX TIDBIT

Did you know that any outstanding balance due on Real Estate or Personal Property taxes has been turned into the Virginia Dept. of Taxation for collection. The Debt Set Off Program matches any outstanding bills the taxpayer may have with any available refunds. To prevent any delay in receiving your state refund please be sure your taxes are paid.



2023 First half taxes will be due on June 5th.

PUBLIC HEARINGS SCHEDULED

Public hearings for an amendment to the zoning ordinance will take place with the Planning Commission on Tuesday, February 28th at 7 p.m. and the Town Council on Monday, March 6th at 7 p.m. The subject of the public

hearings is townhouse regulations, design standards, and setback requirements. Anyone wishing to speak on this topic is welcome to attend one of the meetings at Town Hall, 174 E. King Street, Strasburg. Each person will be provided with three minutes to comment. For more information, please contact the Planning and Zoning Administrator, Brian Otis, at botis@strasburgva.com or 540-465-9197.

PROPOSED FY2024 BUDGET

Town staff has started work on the FY2024 Budget. Department heads have submitted their preliminary budgets to Town Manager Coggsdale and meetings are scheduled with these individuals. A budget calendar has been set with the first meeting with Council scheduled for **Monday, March 6th, at 7 p.m.** Other dates for public meetings with budget discussion include:

Monday	March 20 (if needed)	7 p.m.
Monday	April 3	7 p.m.
Tuesday	April 11	7 p.m.
Monday	May 1	7 p.m. (Public Hearing on the Proposed FY2024 Budget)
Tuesday	May 9 (if needed)	7 p.m.
Monday	May 15 (if needed)	7 p.m.
Tuesday	June 13	7 p.m. (Proposed adoption of FY2024 Budget)

All meetings will be held in the Council Chambers of the Strasburg Town Hall, 174 E. King Street, Strasburg, and are open to the public.

115 WEST KING STREET

The Town of Strasburg officially closed on the purchase of 115. W. King Street on Monday, December 19, 2022.

The Town Council approved authorizing the town manager to proceed with the purchase at their

December 6, 2022, Work Session; the vote was unanimous. The site is the former BB&T Bank, which later became Truist.

The building, built in 1955, is located at the corner of West King Street and South Holliday Street and contains 6,440 sq. ft. and sits on a 0.546-acre lot. The purchase of the building is the first step in providing adequate space for the delivery of town services to its citizens. Town Council has indicated for the past several years that additional space was needed and with the closure of the bank, the downtown location became a priority. Staff is currently in the process of issuing a Request for Proposals for an architectural/engineering firm to begin work on the design for renovations.

The building is expected to be completed and ready for Town use in 2024.

BUSINESS LICENSE INFORMATION

Business Licenses need to be renewed annually by March 1. Additionally, if you have any signs (building mounted, window signage, free-standing, sandwich boards, etc.), plan to expand, or wish to start a home business, you will need a permit. Regulations are outlined in the Town of Strasburg’s Unified Development Ordinance. Email Brian Otis, the Town’s Planning and Zoning Administrator, (botis@strasburgva.com) if you have any questions or to find out if you are in compliance with your zoning.

Also, if you are planning to open a restaurant or other food establishment, be sure to contact Tax Clerk Emily Ritenour to find out all the ins and outs of meals tax --- how much must be collected, when the tax is due to the Town, what can happen if the tax is not turned into the Town, etc. Visit Emily at the Town Hall, email her at eritenour@strasburgva.com, or call 540.465.9197. Town staff wants you to succeed in your business and we are all here to help with that success.

For additional information, visit:

https://www.strasburgva.com/sites/default/files/fileattachments/economic_development/page/14041/start_your_business_with_connections_town_of_strasburg_virginia.pdf

SNOW IS IN THE FORECAST!

Just a reminder that residents are required by Town ordinance to clear sidewalks after every snow event. Snow or ice should be removed during the first six hours of daylight following the time when snow or ice ceases to fall or form.



Also, when bad weather strikes, please check the Town’s website, Facebook page, or call the Town Office to see if there is a change in trash collection days.



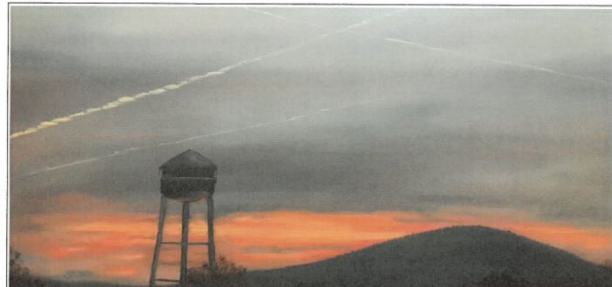
Come Discover Strasburg's
CUPID'S MARKET
LOVE IS ALL YOU NEED.
Shop
5-8PM!
FRIDAY, FEB. 10TH, 2023!

STRASBURG MILITARY RECOGNITION PROGRAM
KING STREET VETERAN BANNER DISPLAY

HONOR YOUR LOVED ONE TODAY!
ORDER YOUR BANNER AT THE AMERICAN LEGION POST 77 OR THE VISITOR CENTER!
DEADLINE: APRIL 1ST, 2023



AMERICAN LEGION POST 77 (540.533.9466)
STRASBURG VISITOR CENTER (540.465.5884)



Water Tower. Artist Suzanne Arthur on exhibit at the Strasburg Community Library now.

Free Events at Your Strasburg Community Library

- Thurs. 2/2 & 2/16 1-2 p.m. Knit & Knatter.** Join old and new friends for needlework and lively conversation on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month. 1st floor parlor .
- Fri. 2/3 1-2 p.m. Polish & Prose.** 1st floor parlor. Share your recent reads. All reading tastes welcome.
- Sat. 2/11 11 a.m. Artist Talk, Suzanne Arthur.** Art currently on display in parlor. Works on sale between 2/11 and 3/15. All proceeds benefit the Library.

Wednesdays, 10 a.m. Baby Rhyme Time
Thursdays, 10 a.m. Pre-School Story Time

Did you know?

- *The Library is now open on Saturdays until 1 p.m.*
- *Borrow a State Park pass. Go outside and play! Call ahead to make sure one is available.*

Strasburg Community Library 195 W. King Street 540-465-8464 Follow us on Facebook.
Check Facebook or Shenandoah County Library website for inclement weather closings

FEBRUARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

6 - Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	23 – ARB, 7 p.m.
14 – Town Council, 7 p.m.	28 – Planning Commission, 7 p.m.
20 – Presidents’ Day --- Town Office OPEN!	

2023 Event Season

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February 10: Cupid's Market

Downtown Strasburg 5:00-8:00PM

March 31: Decades Dance/Vintage in the Valley

Box Office Brewery 7:00-10:00PM

April 1: Vintage in the Valley

Downtown Strasburg 10:00-4:00PM

April 15: Battle of the Paddles Pickleball Tourney

In partnership with ShenCo Parks & Rec

April 22: Earth Day

Strasburg Square 9:00-1:00PM

May 6: Mother's Day Market + Picnic

Strasburg Visitor Center 11:00-2:00PM

May 7: Historic Walking Trail Opening

Strasburg Museum 1:00PM

May 12/13: MayFest

Hosted by the Strasburg Business Alliance

www.StrasburgMayfest.org

June-Aug: Front Porch Fridays Music

See @DiscoverStrasburg for Details

June 18: Fish Fry Float for Father's Day

Strasburg Town Park 11:00-4:00PM

July 4: Independence Celebration

Strasburg Town Park 6:00-9:30PM

July 15: SPD Scoops & Hoops

Strasburg Assembly of God 10:30-12:30PM

August 1: National Night Out

Strasburg Town Park 6:00-9:00PM

August 11/12: Yard Crawl

Strasburg Visitor Center 8:00AM-4:00PM

Sept. 10: Doggie Dip

Strasburg Town Pool 2:00-4:00PM

Sept. 16: Harvest Festival

Town Park 10:00-2:00PM

October 15: Paws in the Park

Strasburg Square 11:00-2:00PM

Oct. 21/22: Lantern Ghost Tours

Strasburg Visitor Center

Partnership with the Strasburg Heritage Assoc.

Nov. 4: Grilled Cheese + Tomato Soup Fest

Downtown Strasburg

Nov. 11: Veterans Day Parade

Downtown Strasburg 1:00PM

Nov. 25: Small Business Saturday

Downtown Strasburg

Dec. 2: 'Tis the Season in Strasburg

Downtown Strasburg 2:00-8:00PM

Dec. 15-31: Home for the Holidays Light Route

Strasburg Visitor Center



2023 SEASON
FREE Admission!
Strasburg Square 7-9PM

Live Music Every Friday Night June + July + August

Brews & Snacks available for purchase!
Follow @DiscoverStrasburg for weather news
& find a list of the summer entertainment!

Strasburg Farmers Market

Strasburg Square
April thru October
9-1PM (Every Saturday)



Strasburg Town Park!

Pickleball: T/Th 5:30-7:30PM
Wiffleball League: April/May
Kickball League: Aug/Oct



Town Pool: May 27 - Sept 4
Teen Night: 1st Thursdays!
Senior Swim + Aquatics

Strasburg Visitor Center

33229 Old Valley Pike
Gift Shop + Museum + Trails
Hupps Hill Park: OPEN DAILY!
Partnership with Strasburg Museum



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2023

REVISED TRASH HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

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-  1 DAY DELAY (MONDAY TRASH ON TUESDAY, TUESDAY TRASH ON WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY TRASH ON FRIDAY, FRIDAY TRASH ON SATURDAY)
-  1 DAY DELAY FOR THURSDAY AND FRIDAY ONLY (THURSDAY TRASH ON FRIDAY, FRIDAY TRASH ON SATURDAY)
-  EARLY PICK UP (POSSIBLY 5:30AM) 2 TRUCKS RUNNING THAT DAY ONLY