



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. Please fill out the comment section below and return to the Town Office at 174 East King Street, PO Box 351, Strasburg, VA 22657, or call (540) 465-9197, or email info@strasburgva.com



The Town of Strasburg extends a **THANK YOU** to all Veterans for serving our country and protecting our freedom.

VETERANS DAY
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11

DID YOU KNOW.....



The Town of Strasburg will be represented on the holiday tree of Gov. and Mrs. Terry McAuliffe? A BIG thank you goes out to **Council Member Barbara Plitt** who created a special Christmas ornament to be displayed on the holiday tree at the

Executive Mansion, home of Gov. & Mrs. McAuliffe. The theme this year was "Home for the Holidays" and each locality was asked to create an ornament that uniquely represents their community. Barbara chose to do a replica of the iconic Hotel Strasburg sign located at the corner of King and Holliday Streets which is remembered by many people, both current and past residents. Strasburg will be proudly represented with this decoration.

A TIP FROM THE STRASBURG VOLUNTEER RESQUE SQUAD

SVRS would like to encourage parents to enroll their child(ren) in a NRA Safe Hunter Course. This is a great course for parents, too. You'll find it to be a very informative class and time well spent. Firearms are a fact of life in rural areas and whether you own a firearm or not, chances are that some of your children's friends have firearms in their homes. So, would it not make sense to insure that your children know what to do and not to do around firearms? For additional information and to find classes in our area, contact the Virginia Game Commission at **804-367-1000**.

In the meantime, and for those that might be too young for class, teach them:

STOP – DON'T TOUCH – LEAVE THE AREA – GO TELL AN ADULT

LEAF PICK-UP

The Town of Strasburg Public Works Department will be collecting leaves from the curb. **LEAVES DO NOT NEED TO BE BAGGED!** Leaves will be collected starting the second week of November.

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.

REMINDER:

**Election Day is Tuesday,
November 8.**

**Strasburg residents vote at the
Strasburg High School, 250 Ram Drive.**



WATCH YOUR MAIL



Town Personal Property and Real Estate taxes will be mailed in the very near future. If you do not receive your bills by November 10, please contact the Town office at 540-465-9197. Tax payments are due by Monday, **December 5, 2016**. Payment received after the due date will receive a 10% penalty.

You may pay your bill online using your debit or credit card at **officialpayments.com** using jurisdiction code 9004. You may also pay with cash or check in our office or mail your payment to P.O. Box 351, Strasburg, VA 22657

FYI ---
The November Town Council meeting has been rescheduled to Wednesday, November 9 at 7 p.m. due to Election Day.

FREE LETTER FROM SANTA

The Town of Strasburg, working with Santa's Elves, will 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 by December 16th and, in response, they'll receive their very own personalized letter back from Santa.



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, one of their accomplishments this year (good grades, learned a new skill, etc.) and a phone number where you can be contacted in case of questions.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW

STRASBURG COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOOK SALE

Friday, Dec. 2 and Saturday, Dec. 3
 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

ALL books, including hardbacks, are \$1 or less.



Plan to attend and support our local library.
 195 West King Street, Strasburg

TRASH & RECYCLING SCHEDULE FOR NOVEMBER:

- Wednesday, Nov. 2: **Trash & Recycling Collection**
- Wednesday, Nov. 9: **Trash Collection ONLY**
- Wednesday, Nov. 16: **Trash & Recycling Collection**
- Wednesday, Nov. 23: **Trash Collection ONLY**
- Wednesday, Nov. 30: **Trash & Recycling Collection**

NOVEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

1 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	15 – Tran./Streets Comm. 7 p.m.
4 – Council/Staff Retreat, 8 a.m., Town Hall	22 – DMV2Go, Town Hall, 9 a.m.–4 p.m. Plan. Comm., 7 p.m.
8 – ELECTION DAY, SHS, 6 a.m. – 7 p.m.	24 & 25– Town Office CLOSED , Thanksgiving Holiday
9 - Town Council, 7 p.m.	28 – Finance Comm., 5:30 p.m. Ord. Comm., 7 p.m.
14 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	29 - Skate Park Public Meeting, 6 p.m.



UPCOMING EVENTS FOR SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

- Pancake Breakfast 7 - 11 a.m.
 (Fire Department)
- Library Book Sale 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- Business Open Houses
- ***Lydia's Closet is offering children's holiday shopping all day. Children will be able to find just the perfect gift for all on their list!***
- Visit Santa at First Bank 1 - 3 p.m.

PARADE 4:30 p.m.

- Tree Lighting & Caroling
 Immediately following the parade
- Pictures with Santa to follow at the Gazebo in the Strasburg Pocket Park

A detailed schedule will be posted on the Strasburg Chamber of Commerce website during the month of November. Please visit:

Strasburgvachamber.com

Or watch for updates on Facebook



