



# The Strasburg Signal



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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, or call (540) 465-9197, or email info@strasburgva.com

## DID YOU KNOW.....

Due to conflicts, several upcoming meeting dates have been changed. The **Town Council** meeting which was scheduled for October 11, will be held on **Wednesday, October 12, 2016 at 7 p.m.** The **Council Work Session** scheduled for October 31, will be held on **November 1** due to Halloween. Also, the **Town Council** meeting scheduled for November 8 has been changed to **Wednesday, November 9**, due to Election Day. Plan to attend the meetings!

## PET REMINDER

Fall sports are in full swing at the Town Park and soccer fields and ball fields will be used regularly. Please, be mindful of this and do not use this area to walk your dog(s) unless you are prepared to thoroughly clean-up after them. Children will be running and falling on these fields and we don't want them to end up in a smelly mess. Thanks for your cooperation.

### KIWANIS CLUB OF STRASBURG PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, October 8, 7 a.m. – 11 a.m.



Sandy Hook Elementary School

Tickets may be purchased at Sager Real Estate or at the door.

## ARTIST OF THE MONTH

The Artist of the Month for October is Nancy Kibler Rabe. Nancy who grew up in Strasburg and graduated from Strasburg High School, now lives in Winchester with her husband, Jerry. Nancy started her painting journey in acrylics about 20 years ago, switched to oils about 10 years ago, and now works in acrylics, oils, watercolors, and mixed

media. She likes to see her paintings come to life with color and vibrancy.

Nancy has participated and shown work in many area places, including: Belle Grove Plantation, "Art at the Mill" in Millwood, banners along the Old Town Mall in Winchester, and the Strasburg Community Library. She is currently assisting cancer patients in completing acrylic paintings to decorate examination rooms in the new Oncology Center at the Winchester Medical Center campus and is working on three large watercolor paintings (commissioned work by Winchester Oncology) to be hung in the waiting room of the center.

Plan to attend an Open House on Wednesday, October 12, 6 – 7 p.m., at the Town Hall to meet the artist and view her work.

## *Strasburg Ghost/Graveyard Walking Tours*

Saturday, October 29  
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.

The tours will leave every 15 minutes from the Strasburg Community Library and last approximately one hour. (Last tour leaves at 8:30 p.m.)

The family-friendly event will be a walking tour of the historic cemeteries of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Queen Street, and the Mt. Zion United Methodist Church.

Tours will include stories about graves of prominent citizens, the history of the churches and cemeteries and more.

Presale tickets are \$3 and available at the Town Office or \$5 day of the event. Children 5 and under are free. Children 13 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

A special bus tour accessible for those with disabilities, courtesy of Greenfield Senior Living, will be held at 3 p.m., starting from the BB&T parking lot. Preregistration for the bus tour is required by Oct. 22 at 540-465-9501

**ARE YOU READY FOR THE NOVEMBER 8th ELECTION?**



Election Day is Tuesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>. If you are not a registered voter in Virginia, you have until **Monday, October 17<sup>th</sup>** to register or update an existing registration. If you cannot go to the Registrar's Office, please call 459-6195 for additional information or visit: [www.vote.virginia.gov](http://www.vote.virginia.gov). The Voter Registrar's office is located at 600 N. Main Street, Ste. 103, Woodstock and normal business hours are Monday – Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Strasburg residents vote at the Strasburg High School located at 250 Ram Drive.

If you will be out-of-town on Election Day, you can vote using an absentee ballot. The deadline to apply for an absentee ballot be mailed to you is **Tuesday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**; the deadline to apply for an absentee ballot by appearing in person is **Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>**.

The ballot for the November 8<sup>th</sup> election will include choices for President and Vice President of the United States; House of Representatives; and two proposed Constitutional Amendments.

A Photo ID will be **REQUIRED** of all voters at the November 8<sup>th</sup> election. For a listing of acceptable forms of ID and other election information, please visit: [www.sbe.virginia.gov](http://www.sbe.virginia.gov)

**152<sup>ND</sup> Anniversary of the Battle of Cedar Creek  
October 15 – 16, 2016**

Adult Tickets: \$12 per day  
Senior Citizens, Students aged 7 – 17, Law Enforcement, Retired and Active Military (with ID): \$6 per day

For additional information, contact the Gateway to Shenandoah Visitor Center  
540-465-5884

**SAFETY TIP FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT THE STRASBURG VOL. RESCUE SQUAD**

When driving in low light conditions (dawn, dusk, cloudy days, etc.), be sure to turn on your headlights. Even though you can see okay, maybe the drivers you are approaching, can't see you. Certain vehicles blend in with their surroundings and are difficult to see. Headlights might keep someone from pulling out in front of you or someone passing a vehicle when they think the coast is clear. Also, it is a law in Virginia to turn on your headlights during a rain event. Big trucks, as well as some pick-ups, throw up a lot of water spray and it is difficult for them to see you in their mirrors. So, if you are wondering if you need your headlights, then you probably do. Please, be safe, careful, and courteous. **AND**, that cell phone/text message.....**IT CAN WAIT.**

Stay tuned for more safety tips from SVRS.



**KIWANIS 5K RUN**  
Saturday, October 29  
Registration: 8 a.m.  
Race: 9 a.m.  
Race begins at the Strasburg Mennonite Church on High Street

Registration forms available at:  
Anytime Fitness, First Bank,  
Sager Real Estate, Thomas Family Dentistry

**LEAF PICK-UP**



The Town of Strasburg Public Works Department will be collecting leaves during the month of November. **LEAVES DO NOT NEED TO BE BAGGED.** Please, watch for additional information in the November newsletter.

**TRICK OR TREATING**  
in the  
**Town of Strasburg**  
**Monday, October 31**  
**5 – 8 p.m.**

**TRASH & RECYCLING SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER:**

- Wednesday, Oct. 5: **Trash & Recycling Collection**
- Wednesday, Oct. 12: **Trash Collection ONLY**
- Wednesday, Oct. 19: **Trash & Recycling Collection**
- Wednesday, Oct. 26: **Trash Collection ONLY**

**OCTOBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

1 – Oktoberfest, 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.	24 – Finance Comm., 5:30 p.m. Ordinance Comm., 7 p.m.
3 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	25 – Open House, UDA Grant, 5:30 p.m. Joint Council & Plan. Comm., 7 p.m.
12 – Artist of the Month Reception, 6 p.m. Town Council, 7 p.m.	27 – ARB, 7 p.m.
17 – Council Work Session, 7 p.m.	29 – Ghost/Graveyard Tour, 6 – 9 p.m.
18 – Rec./Parks/Trails Comm., 5:30 p.m. Trans./Streets/Sidewalks Comm., 7 p.m.	31 – Trick-or-Treating, 5 – 8 p.m.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW** for the Strasburg Holiday Celebration to be held on Saturday, December 3, 2016. Festivities will include Businesses Open House, Parade with Santa, and Tree Lighting. More information will be included in the November newsletter.