

# OUR TOWN

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## Special Holiday Edition

**'Tis The Season**  
DECEMBER 5, 2015

9-5p.m.~ Open Houses and Local Artist Gallery Tour on Congress  
10-4p.m.~ Christmas On The Farm at The Virginia Museum of The Civil War  
9:30-1p.m.~ New Market Library Book Sale  
2-5p.m.~ 'Tis the Season Local Wine Tasting  
5p.m.~ 'Tis the Season Christmas Parade on Congress  
**Immediately Following Parade...**  
~Tree Lighting Ceremony at the New Market Town Hall  
~ Children's Holiday Story Reading and Visit with Santa at the New Market Library

**Also Enjoy...**  
Caroling Bells Christmas Gifts  
Roasted Chestnuts Hot Chocolate  
Cookies Popcorn Cider

\*A Special Thank You to Local New Market Businesses and Town Organizations for Making this Event Possible\*

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**NEW MARKET**  
VIRGINIA  
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### A NOTE FROM THE MAYOR

*"When we remember a special Christmas, it is not the presents that made it special, but the laughter, the feeling of love, and the togetherness of friends and family that made that Christmas special."*

*---Catherine Pulsifer*

We've arrived at that glorious time of year when we begin to think of the festivities associated with Christmas and our children begin thinking about Santa Claus. Everyone's heart is a little lighter. We start to think about holiday shopping and that special gift we need to buy for our family and friends. I encourage you to take time to "think local, shop local". Come out and take advantage of the specials provided by our local merchants. After all, where can you think of a better place to keep more of your money but in the community we live in by supporting our local businesses?!

As Andy Rooney has said, "one of the biggest messes ever created was the one on the living room floor on Christmas Day and we shouldn't ever clean it up too early." This Christmas, I hope each of your homes has a big,

messy living room floor for the day and that you will delight in each moment.

Take the time to celebrate traditions and make memories with friends and family. My hope for each of you is that you each become of a childlike spirit this Christmas. As the New Year approaches us with hopes anew, I wish you and your family a wonderful year ahead.

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### TOWN OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSINGS

The Town Office will be closed the following business days this holiday season:

Thursday, Nov. 26th, 2015  
Friday, Nov. 27th, 2015  
Thursday, Dec. 24th, 2015

Friday, Dec. 25th, 2015  
Friday, Jan. 1st, 2016

## WINTER WEATHER ADVISORIES

The onset of the Holidays often brings cold weather and snow right along with it. Whether the storm totals 1" or 12"+, winter weather presents challenges for all of us. Here are a few tips in advance of this winter season:

- **Be prepared:** Predicting weather seems to be a challenge even with advances in 21st century meteorology. With few exceptions winter storms are rarely a total surprise. Winter weather advisories are usually posted days in advance of the storm. Use that time to restock your medications, food and other essentials.
- **Be careful:** It may seem like an overused piece of advice, but when you travel unnecessarily on snow covered roads you put yourself and your vehicle at risk and make clearing roads that much more challenging. For those of you who do have to travel, plan ahead and leave yourself extra time to get to your destination.
- **Be patient:** Removing snow from streets takes time. Storm duration, temperature and sunlight all affect how quickly

streets are cleared. Often it's not until the sun returns and day time temperatures exceed 32 degrees that frozen snow and ice on streets can completely be removed.

- **Be helpful:** After the snow has stopped please help keep your neighbors and friends safe by clearing the sidewalk(s) that fronts your property. It's not only the right thing to do; it's also required by town ordinance.



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**Presort**  
**Rt. 3**  
**New Market, VA 22844**

### CHRISTMAS PARADE

The New Market Fire & Rescue Department will host the Annual Christmas parade on Saturday, December 5, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. along Congress Street in New Market. Bring friends and family to watch a festive holiday parade featuring Santa Claus and be sure to bring a bag to collect candy. Come early and shop our unique shops or enjoy the holiday Wine Tasting held from 2:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

To be a part of the parade, please complete the form found under the News & Events Menu, Announcements page of the Town's website, [www.newmarketvirginia.com](http://www.newmarketvirginia.com). Follow directions on the website for returning the form. Last minute entries may simply come to the parade line-up which begins at 4:00 p.m. on East Old Cross Road. This is a great opportunity to advertise your business or organization as well as win an award for your entry.

For more information or if you have questions, you may contact the Town Office at 540-740-3432.



### CHRISTMAS TREE PICKUP

The Town will remove and dispose of your live discarded Christmas trees from January 4, 2016 – January 8, 2016. Please place your tree curbside for prompt removal.



### HOLIDAY TRASH PICK UP

Curbside trash pick-up will occur as scheduled on Wednesday, December 23, 2015 and on Wednesday, December 30, 2015. Please place trash out by 7:00 a.m. to ensure removal.