

# OUR TOWN

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## MAYOR'S CORNER

Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 23rd from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm. That is the date and time for us, the Town of New Market, to accept the deed transfer from the American Legion Post 166 and the New Market Community Center (NMCC) Board. The event will be held in the gymnasium of the NMCC. We want to publicly thank both of these organizations for giving the citizens of New Market such gifts of their valuable properties. I ask you to attend this ceremony and help us show our appreciation to the members of the Post and the Board.

Immediately following the ceremony, we will have an open house so that you can tour the community center in its present state. I am sure that many of you that attended school in this building will have many fond memories to share with one another. The tour of the facility is to also encourage ideas for the future use of the property. The Town Council has established a steering committee to gather these ideas and establish goals for the near and long term use of the Center. The steering committee will work hand in hand with the council and town to decide what is financially feasible AND sustainable. We can dream it, but can we afford it?

A sizable portion for funding the community center's improvements will come from the proceeds from the sale of the Legion's property. As a lasting memorial to Post #166 we will name a portion of the center in their honor. Every person who steps foot in the designated area will remember these soldiers and their families that sacrificed of themselves so that we, the citizens, can enjoy our freedom and liberties. The carnage that has engulfed Ukraine should remind us that freedom is not guaranteed.

In addition to funds from the sale of the Legion property, we are pursuing grants that are available from private and government programs. We will also work with local businesses, churches and social organizations to assist in the remodeling of the building and program development. Although the Community Center's future is exciting, please be patient as we chart its course. Engineering, fund raising and construction takes time and, for us, that starts at 10:00 am, April 23, 2022. Come join us for the ceremony and open house.

LARRY A. BOMPIANI  
New Market Mayor

## HASSLER-SUTPHIN POST 166

P.O. BOX 166

NEW MARKET, VA 22844

As you have most likely heard by now, the American Legion Post 166 voted to donate the American Legion building and grounds to the Town of New Market. The supporting members, whose ages are averaging 80 years, were unable to keep up the monthly expenses such as, insurance, taxes, dumpster fee, and utilities.

Only a few members were doing all of the fund raising projects. These fundraisers, chicken bar-b-q, craft show, yard sales, apple butter boiling, and Friday night dinner specials in the Club Room were to support Boys State, Legion Baseball and other Legion projects; as well as provide for veterans stopping by in need of some fuel and/or a good meal. Food was collected and donated to area food banks and from time to time the banquet room was rented for special occasions. Legion members also visited Martinsburg VA hospital 4 times a year for many years.

In order for Post 166 to keep its charter, we need some dedicated veterans to volunteer to become the following officers: Commander, Vice-Commander, Adjutant, Finance Officer, and Chaplain, so the Legion programs can continue.

If you can volunteer and help to save the Charter, please call Ron Thompson, Commander at (540)236-8770 or by e-mail [supupu83@gmail.com](mailto:supupu83@gmail.com). Also, if you have other questions, you can contact Ron.

## ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT

Join us for a fun morning of hunting for Easter eggs, crafts, games and meet the Easter Bunny! Don't forget to BYOB-Bring Your Own Basket/Bag for the fun.

Date: April 9th, 2022  
Hunt starts at 9:30 AM  
New Market Community Park  
Cost is Free  
Ages: 1-12



Hosted by: MVHS Interact Club, New Market Rotary, and the Town of New Market

## PLANTING SEEDS OF KNOWLEDGE

Throughout the month of April we will be celebrating Arbor Day and Earth Day! The Town of New Market and the



New Market Area Library will be hosting online fun, with some in person challenges! There will be Tree Tips Tuesdays, TREEat recipes, Upcycle/Recycle crafts online, scavenger hunts, Read for Seeds programs with take home crafts from the library, and much more. Follow us on Facebook for more information.

## LIBRARY NEWS

The New Market Area Library will offer two children's story time programs in April 2022.

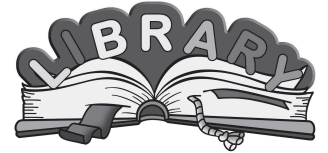
- Books and Babies for ages birth to three, will be held on Friday, April 1, 2022, at 10:00 am with the theme April Showers. Older siblings are welcome as helpers.

- Preschool Story time for ages three through five, will be held on Friday, April 15, at 10:00 am with the theme Arbor Day, Earth Day, Every Day! Christine Jorgensen from the Northern Shenandoah Valley Master Gardeners Association will share information on the rain gardens, which the Master Gardeners maintain for the New Market Area Library. Weather permitting, story time participants will tour the rain gardens!

The Northern Shenandoah Valley Master Gardeners Association will be working on the rain gardens at the New

Market Library on March 31, April 14, and April 28, 2022, from 10 am to 12 pm. Library patrons are invited to ask questions while the Master Gardeners work. Volunteers are also needed to help; email Christine Jorgensen at [csalkt16@gmail.com](mailto:csalkt16@gmail.com) for more information.

The New Market Area Library is collaborating with the Town of New Market for some Arbor Day/Earth Day activities. Two of these activities are "Read for Seeds" and Take It/ Make It activities for children. We invite children to share their Arbor/Earth Day art for display in the library. Information updates on activities are posted on the library's Facebook page.



## POOL STAFF NEEDED



The Town is accepting applications for pool staff for the summer 2022 season. Lifeguards must currently have, or be able to obtain prior to the season, a Red Cross certification. Interested candidates must be willing to work flexible hours.

Applications for employment are available on the Town's website [www.newmarketvirginia.com/contact/](http://www.newmarketvirginia.com/contact/) employment or at the Town Office, 9418 John Sevier Road.

This is a great opportunity for summer employment and a way to make some extra cash. The Pool opens Saturday, May 28, 2022. Applications should be turned in to the Town Office, Attn: Donna Lohr, Administrative Assistant, at 9418 John Sevier Road or mailed to P.O. Box 58, New Market, VA 22844.



## INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION

The Independence Day Committee is hard at work planning this year's Independence Day Celebration. This celebration comes together with partnerships of several individuals that makes up our 501c3 nonprofit group, along with the Town of New Market.

Each year the Independence Day Committee asks YOU the citizens and businesses of New Market to help support our efforts. This support helps with growing activities, entertainment, marketing and more. We are humbly asking you to contribute to this effort with financial support.

If interested in sponsoring, funds can be mailed to PO Box 1103 New Market, VA 22844 or if you would like to discuss sponsorship benefits, we would be happy to discuss.

For more information you can contact Jim Douglas at 540-630-1503 or Amber Smoot at 540-740-2620.

You can mark your calendars for July 5th, 2022 for our next celebration!

## HEAVY TRASH PICK-UP

The Town's Public Works Crews will be collecting heavy trash items from April 11th through April 15th, 2022. Please place all heavy trash curbside. Crews will not go onto private property to make collections. This service is provided to our residential customers only. Crews will pick up trash by item type during the week and will have all trash picked up by the end of the day on Friday, April 15th, 2022. Brush and limbs must be tied in bundles no longer than four feet in length. To ensure removal, all heavy trash should be placed curbside no later than Friday, April 15th, 2022 by 12:00 noon. Due to State laws governing the operation of the Shenandoah County Landfill, the Town is unable to remove old TVs, computers, tires, refrigerators, freezers, lead acid batteries, or hazardous materials such as pesticides, herbicides, paint, paint thinner, etc. For instruction on where to take the aforementioned items, you may call the Shenandoah County Landfill at 540-984-8573. Thank you for your cooperation.

**Just a reminder that dogs are to be kept on a leash at all times when walking along public streets and in the park. Dogs are not allowed on the baseball fields or tennis courts.**

## Looking ahead, and Mark those Calendars:

Jammin' Foods Fest-May 21st starting at 4pm

Movie Nights in the Park- May 28th, June 25th, July 23rd, August 27th, and September 17th (all start at sundown)

Cross Roads Music Fest-June 3rd, July 8th, August 12th, and September 2nd

Congress Street Block Party-July 28th starts at 5pm

For more details about the events, check out our Festivals and Events page on our website [www.newmarketvirginia.com](http://www.newmarketvirginia.com)



## NEW MARKET FARMER'S MARKET

The New Market Farmer's Market will be opening soon for spring! Check out the New Market Farmer's Market Facebook page for the exact grand opening date! The Market will be located in the town lot near Jaliscos Restaurant (same location as last year!)

The Farmer's Market will be open from 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm each Friday, and we currently have 5 vendors signed up. One new product that will be fresh mushrooms this year!

New vendors are welcome! To sign up as a vendor, or for more information, contact Sharon at 540-820-6613, or Donna at 540-810-0300.

Thanks for shopping local!

## NEW MARKET ROTARY

The New Market Rotary meets every Wednesday at 12:00 noon at the Shenvalee Golf Resort. These past two months have been very busy. The club donated and raised over \$4,000 to relief for Kentucky from their devastating tornadoes. The club is currently raising funds for a Rotary effort to provide relief for Ukraine. Members and the club have raised over \$4,000 for that effort. Our money is sent to Rotary International and they administrate the giving of all funds. Rotarians pay annual dues to the Rotary International to help keep their operating expenses at a minimum. The New Market Little League baseball field is undergoing an infield remodel and \$500 has been donated to the project.

If you are interested in learning more about Rotary please come to a meeting. You may call President Ros Poplar at 540-740-8479 or 540-740-2740 just to let him know you plan to attend.

### Upcoming Programs

- **April 6, 2022** – Sheriff Tim Carter
- **April 13, 2022** – Jim Douglas – Spring Gardening
- **April 20, 2022** – location MVHS - Wes Dove - George Washington & Leadership
- **April 27, 2022** – Club Meeting – Sandra Clatterbuck – a debrief of Rotary District Conference
- **May 4, 2022** – Ms. Cristi Coryell “The Buttercup”



With so many new developments in our region, there is no better time to engage, educate and activate members of our community to become even more knowledgeable and influential ambassadors for the tourism industry and its impact on our overall economy.

Each “Faces of Tourism” session will include a familiarization tour of a local hospitality business, town or attraction for a behind-the-scenes experience ending with lunch at a reasonable fee. Tours are open to business owners, employees, residents, and visitors of Shenandoah County.

Upcoming date:

Discover the Different Sides of Strasburg

Wednesday, April 9th, 2022

10:00 AM-12:00pm

\$15 registration fee

For more information and how to sign up go to [www.visit-shenandoahcounty.com/faces-of-tourism](http://www.visit-shenandoahcounty.com/faces-of-tourism)

## PET WASTE

Pet waste left on the street or lawn does not just go away or fertilize the grass. Rain washes pet waste down storm drains and into waterways like rivers, bays, and beaches. Pet waste also provides a nitrogen source for algae blooms, which deplete the water of oxygen and can make people and animals sick.

The Town of New Market has an ordinance regarding pet waste. Sec. 14-3.1 – Unlawful to allow dogs to defecate on public or private property; exception

a) No person shall knowingly or willfully allow a dog belonging to him or in his custody to defecate on the private property of other persons without the consent of such persons, or to defecate on public property; except that defecation by a dog on such property shall not constitute a violation of this section if the owner or person in custody of the dog immediately removes the material defecated and disposes of it in a safe and sanitary manner.

b) Any person violating and foregoing provisions of this section shall be guilty of a class 4 misdemeanor for each violation.

### What You Should Do

- Keep a supply of bags handy

When walking your pet, take a bag with you for quick waste pick-up. It helps to keep a supply of bags near your dog leash and to tie the bags on the leash if you don't have a pocket or pack. Consider re-using plastic newspaper bags or bread bags. Use the bag to pick up the waste, and tie it closed. When at home, long-handled pooper-scoopers, available at pet stores, make it easy to pick up after pets without stooping over.

- Dispose of pet waste properly

Place sealed bags of pet waste in the trash. It may help to double bag dog waste or kitty litter. Do not throw waste near or into storm drains, and do not dump kitty litter outside. Do not flush pet waste down your toilet.

- Follow local rules and signs

Some cities and towns have fines for not picking up waste on streets, in parks, or in dog parks.

- Help others remember to scoop the poop

Don't let your pet pollute, and encourage those around you to be responsible pet owners, too.

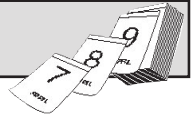
## SHORT-TERM RENTALS INCLUDING AIRBNB

The Town of New Market has passed Ordinance No. 107 which amends certain provisions of the Town Code relating to Short-Term Rentals. Operators of short-term rentals must obtain a zoning permit, an annual business license, and collect and remit to the Town a 5% transient occupancy tax. Please contact the Town Office at 540-740-3432 for more information.

## SHELTER RENTAL 2022

Shelter #1 (11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)	\$30.00
Shelter #1 (4:00 p.m. – closing)	\$30.00
Shelters #2-4 (11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.)	\$25.00
Shelters #2-4 (4:00 p.m. – closing)	\$25.00
Shelters #5-6 (11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)	\$20.00
Shelters #5-6 (4:00 p.m. - closing)	\$20.00
Gazebo (All Day)	\$25.00

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## April 2022

1	Lawn and Leaf	
8	Lawn and Leaf	
9	Easter Egg Hunt	9:30 am
11-15	Heavy Trash Pickup	
15	Lawn and Leaf	
15	Water/Sewer Bills Due	
18	Town Council Meeting	6:30 pm
22	Lawn and Leaf	
29	Lawn and Leaf	



## May 2022

6	Lawn and Leaf	
13	Lawn and Leaf	
15	Water/Sewer Bills Due	
16	Town Council Meeting	6:30 pm
20	Lawn and Leaf	
21	Jammin' Foods Fest	4:00 pm
27	Lawn and Leaf	
28	Movie Night in the Park	
28	New Market Pool Opens for the Season	
30	Town Office Closed in Observance of Memorial Day	

## TOWN OF NEW MARKET CONTACT INFORMATION

### Emergency Services:

Emergencies: 911  
Shenandoah County Dispatch: 540-459-6101  
Police Department: 540-740-3776  
Fire and Rescue: 540-740-8904

New Market Town Office: 540-740-3432

Dispatch: 540-459-6101  
(After-hours and weekend Water/Sewer Emergencies)

### Town of New Market

Office Hours: Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  
(540) 740-3432 • [www.newmarketvirginia.com](http://www.newmarketvirginia.com)

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### TOWN COUNCIL

Larry Bompiani, Mayor • Peggy Harkness, Vice Mayor  
Scott Wymer • Daryl Watkins • Bob King • Janice Hannah • Peter Hughes  
Jason J. Ham, Town Attorney

### ADMINISTRATION

J. Todd Walters ..... Town Manager  
Chris Rinker ..... Police Chief  
Teresa Green ..... Town Treasurer  
Meghan Rupkey ..... Town Planner

Donna Lohr ..... Administrative Assistant  
Lindsey Kipps ..... Office Assistant  
Amber Smoot ..... Events & Marketing Director  
J.D. Fadley ..... Public Works Director

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