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A Letter from Mayor

Happy New Year!



I hope all had a good holiday season. We did. The Town Christmas & Holiday Event was held December 9. It was well attended. I enjoyed the wacky train rides, Santa and Mrs. Clause's presence, the stage acts and the vendor experience strolling down candy cane lane. The day was warm, but fire pits were still burning, offering ambience and facilitating a great smores experience. We ended it off with the tree lighting by the DelaSobera Family and even had a Menorah out to celebrate the eight days of Hanukkah. I would like to thank Haymarket PD and our local police departments as they protected us that day and also for hosting the Operation Santa event on the 16th. Town resident feedback gives Operation Santa a big thumbs up.

After all of the holiday celebrations, Town Council had its work session and town meeting back-to-back on January 2. As a lot of you are aware, a decision was made on the fate of the Town Park building. We understand the Town has differing opinions on what direction to take. That is the reason this has been under discussion by Town Council for close to two years. We did as thorough an analysis as we could: identifying use scenarios, rough cost estimates for different paths, and a park use survey. In the end, the demolition permit denied by ARB was overruled by Council. Next steps are to stage the removal and replacement of the house with a pavilion and bathroom structure, followed by other improvements to the park. Stay tuned for announcements as this progresses.

Future things this quarter: look out for businesses openings in Crossroads Village, Planet Fitness will be opening soon, groundbreaking for the park sidewalk should start in the spring.... Stay in touch through our Facebook page and website.

Sincerely,

Ken Luersen, Mayor

Ken Luersen, Mayor Town of Haymarket



Walk with the
Mayor once a month
on the 2nd Saturday
of the Month at 9:00
am. Meet at Town
Hall.



TOWN COUNCIL

Ken Luersen, Mayor TracyLynn Pater, Vice Mayor Alexander Beyene Joe Pasanello Marchant Schneider Mary Ramirez Matt Gallagher





Chief's Article

As 2023 draws to a close, the Haymarket Police Department (HPD) along with its staff reflects on a successful and productive year. The HPD continued its Community Outreach program calendar by taking part in 28 events. These events are geared toward giving back to the community while interacting with citizens. Two blood drives were among these events along with National Night Out, Operation Santa Claus, & the annual end of school water balloon fight & Ice Cream Social. Holding these events would be impossible without great partners such as Swirlies Ice Cream, Chic-Fil-A, Mission BBQ, IDezine, Haymarket Baptist Church, Park Valley Church, Transform Power Yoga, Studio B Salon, Axe Addicts, Papa John's Pizza, The Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket, &

Salman Home Realty. These businesses constantly give back to their community and the Department is blessed to have their support. The Officer's that serve Haymarket concentrated on their training & career development in 2023. Officer Burgoon, Officer Finley, & Officer Chan were all promoted to Master Patrol Officer. Obtaining this rank is not easy nor is it easy to maintain. Amongst strict discipline, firearms proficiency, evaluations, and length of service, Officers applying for Master Patrol Officer Status must attend 40 hours of Law Enforcement Inservice training every 2 years along with a 3credit hour course provided by an institution of higher learning. HPD Officers attended over 300 hours of specialized training this year in areas of Child Seat Safety, Gang Specialist, Accreditation,

Schedule of Events

1/29 Town Council Work Session 7pm

January 2024

•	Town Hall Closed for New	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
•	Year's Day 1/2 Town Coun- cil Regular Meeting 7pm		1 Town Hall Closed	Town Council Meeting	3	4	5	6
•	1/10 HPD 3rd annual Blood Drive @ Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket	7	8	9	10 HPD 3rd Blood Drive 9-2PM	11	12	13 Walk with the Mayor
•	1/13 Walk with the Mayor– Meet @ 9AM Town Hall	14	15 Town Hall Closed	16 Planning Commission Meeting	17 ARB Meeting	18	19	20
•	1/15 Town Hall Closed for Mar- tin Luther King, Jr. Day	21	22	23	24	25	26	27
•	1/16 Planning Commission Meeting 7pm	28	29	30	31			
•	1/17 Architec- tural Review Board (ARB) Meeting 7pm		Town Council Work Session	J~	U*			

Chief's Article continued...

Grant Management, 4th Amendment, 5th Amendment, Search and Seizure, Marcus ALERTS, Mental Health Issues, Background Investigations, Media Relations, General Instructor, Field Training Officer, REID Interview and Interrogation Technique, Suspect Behavior Analysis, and Crime Prevention. Officer James Galbreath was also able to complete his Master of Science Criminal Justice: Law Enforcement Leadership.

During the 2023 year, The HPD applied for and was awarded over \$60,000 in grants. One such Grant was through the DMV and NHTSA. This grant totaled over \$12,000 & provides overtime pay for traffic patrol duties,

along with training. Another Grant awarded was through DC|S. This grant totaling \$12,000 was applied to the purchase of portable radios. Looking forward to 2024, the HPD is looking to continue its community outreach program by adding an annual "Senior Summit". The first one will be held at Park Valley Church on April 25, 2024 from 10am to 2pm. During the summit, attendees will be provided educational information on Scams that specifically target their group along with resources that are often needed by seniors, such as estate planning, in-home care, disability accessible construction, wills, nutrition, financial planning, etc.. Registration will soon be open for this event through the Park Valley Church website. Our department looks forward to meeting the community needs in 2024! Happy New Year!



February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4	Town Council Meeting	6	7	8	9	10 Walk with the Mayor
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19 Town Hall Closed	20 Planning Commission Meeting	21 ARB Meeting	22	23	24
25	26 Town Council Work Session	27	28	29		

Schedule of Events

- 2/5 Town Council Regular Meeting 7pm
- 2/10 Walk with the Mayor– Meet @ 9AM Town Hall
- 2/19 Town Hall Closed for Presidents' Day
- 2/20 Planning Commission Meeting 7pm
- 2/21 Architectural Review Board (ARB) Meeting 7pm
- 2/26 Town Council Work Session 7pm

Inside Town Hall

Youth in Government Program:



The Youth in Government Program wrapped up their last meeting on November 6. Thirteen PWC middle school students worked alongside of Town Council and staff to be part of their community and learn how local government works. These students reviewed the results of a survey for Haymarket on the best use of the Town Park and worked through the steps necessary to make change in their Town. To read more about this program, check out an article from

PWC Schools here:

www.pwcs.edu/news/2023/11/
pwcs_middle_school_students_take
_to_the_dais_as_part_of_haymark
et_governing_body?image

decision. So, where does this leave
the building? The Council appealed
the ARB's decision to deny the Certificate of Appropriateness to demoish the application. On January 2nd

Town Park Building:

What's going to happen to the Town Park Building? After several discussions at several meetings, the Town Council voted to demolish the Town Park Building at their September 5, 2023 meeting. They submitted a demolition permit to the Architectural Review Board in October. The ARB conducted a site visit, discussed the matter at hand and asked staff for additional information. On December 6, the ARB denied the permit application in which the Council filed an appeal to the ARB on the

decision. So, where does this leave the building? The Council appealed tificate of Appropriateness to demolish the application. On January 2nd at the Town Council Work Session the appeal application was discussed by Council. During the regular session at 7pm on January 2nd the Council ultimately overturned the ARB's decision to deny the demolition of the house. The Council has directed the Town Staff to proceed with an RFP to demolish the park house and the harvesting of architectural features to preserve for future use in a pavilion.



Schedule of Events

March 2024

- 3/4 Town Council Regular Meeting 7pm
- Walk with the Mayor – Meet @ 9AM Town Hall
- 3/18 Planning Commission Meeting 7pm
- 3/20 Architectural Review Board (ARB) Meeting 7pm
- 3/25 Mayor & Council Work Session 7pm

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Town Clerk's Corner

The Haymarket Town Council would like to welcome Matthew Gallagher to the Town Council. Mr. Gallagher was appointed to fill the vacant seat once held by David Leake, who resigned from the Council on September 11th. Mr. Gallagher served on the Haymarket Board of Zoning Appeals from January 2015 until October 2023 when he was appointed to Council. The Council would also like to congratulate Alexander Beyene for being elected at the November General Election filling the vacant seat of Bob Weir, who was elected to the PWC Board of Supervisors. Both Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Beyene's terms will expire on December 31, 2024. Town Council would like to welcome Justin Baker to the Board of Zoning Appeals. Mr. Baker was nominated by the Council at their December 4th meeting and was appointed by Prince William County Clerk Court Judges. Mr. Baker took the Oath of Office on December 29, 2023. We congratulate these men and thank them for serving the Town of Haymarket.

The Town Council is drafting a **Mobile Food Establishment Ordinance**. This would allow food trucks to operate at the Town's winery and breweries once they paid the appropriate fees. The Council will be taking comments from the public on this subject during an upcoming public hearing. Stay tuned for that date.

The 2024 meeting schedule for the Town Council and ARB have been set. The Planning Commission will set their meeting schedule at their January meeting. You can view the agenda's and watch the meetings live through the Town's website at www.townofhaymarket.org.

Did you know you can email the Town Clerk at kenry@townofhaymarket.org to have your voice heard during Citizens Time at any of the monthly meetings? Please submit emails by 4 PM the day of the meeting in order for your comments or concerns to be read into the record for the meeting that evening.

Town History-Old Gainesville Elementary School

Old Gainesville Elementary School was built in 1935 to house 1st -4th grade classes and to give elementary and high school separate spaces due to overcrowding. This building was an example of art deco style which underwent multiple additions through the 1960s to accommodate the growth in the area.

The structure and property crossed the jurisdictional boundary between Gainesville and Haymarket. Used through the mid-2000s as an elementary school. Structure and property sold by Prince William County in 2012. New owner leased back the ball-fields to Prince William County Park authority and petitioned to have the property boundary line adjusted into the Town in 2013. Lewis home moved from Town Property to the site in 2016, which is where you will find Cookies & Cream.

This property is now QBE Business Park with a mix of retail, office, restaurant, and educational uses, such as Battlefield Jiu Jitsu, Degrasse Dance Studio, Jazzercise, Zandra's Taqueria, and Trouvaille Brewing Company to name a few.



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- ♦ Wakefield School
- ♦ Fauquier Health
- ♦ Park Valley Church

Without their generous donations and support, we wouldn't be able to put on Haymarket Day and the Holiday Market we all enjoy so much!





Farmers Market

Thank you to all of our residents, visitors and vendors for joining us during our 2023 Farmers Market season. We would love to hear from you and any feedback you have regarding your visit or participation. Please email our events coordinator at

events@townofhaymarket.org or please call us at 703-753-2600 and share your feedback with one of us!

We can't wait to see you for our 2024 season in April. Happy New Year!



Haymarket Police Departments 3rd Annual Blood Drive

Every two seconds, someone in the U.S. needs blood. When a patient receives blood, it was given in advance by a generous donor."-American Red Cross.

Give the gift of Life this January at the HPD's 3rd Annual Blood Drive. The blood drive will be held at the Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket January 10, 2024, from 9 am to 2 pm.

Those that can donate are

asked to log onto Redcrossblood.org and search the 20169-zip code where they can choose a time to donate and pre-register. Hospitals and patients are in constant need of blood donors. Every day, blood donations help patients of all ages: accident & burn victims, heart surgery & organ transplants, and those battling cancer.

Giving blood means giving hope. Mark your calendars for Jan 10th and visit:

The Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket -located across from the Haymarket Police Department at 15001 Washington Street, Haymarket Virginia 20169.



Haymarket Holiday Ornament Contest

Thank you Town residents, guests and businesses for your submissions. The Christmas Tree in the Town Museum looked great with all of your unique creations.

Also, a special thank you to Bruster's Ice Cream, Crumbl Cookies and Peace & Laughter Holistic Boutique for donating gift cards to our winners. See the winning ornaments below:



Traditional Christmas Winner: Emily Mickelwait.



My Hometown winner Safrina Yacoub with hand painted symbols of in-town businesses!



Children's Category Winner:

The Maquire Family. This one pictured used broken ornaments to make a new one!



In Town Business winner goes to Copper Cricket!



Most Unique Winner: Patricia Barrios.

Business Highlight- Joy Yoga & Massage

Sometimes you just need a spa day! Joy Yoga & Massage recently located to Haymarket in the Thrive Medical Spa building located at 15030 Washington Street.

Joy Yoga & Massage has been serving the Northern VA area for the past 12 years. In addition to massages, they offer yoga sessions, skin renewal, body wraps, foot scrubs, hot stone and hot bamboo, and prenatal yoga & massages. Make self care a New Years resolution and take time for you! You won't regret it.

Business Hours: Monday-Friday 10-4 Saturday 9-3

Contact Info: 703-861-8454 breathejoy@yahoo.com Joyyogaandmassage.com



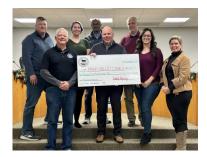
Around Town



Town Staff at Haymarket Day!



Crumbl Cookies ribbon cutting. Welcome to Town!



Thank you Park Valley Church for always helping and supporting Town events!



Town Hall

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2024 Event Season Discover "Everyone's Hometown"

April -November: Farmers Market Season Located in Town Hall parking lot. More info soon

January 10: HPD Blood DriveLocated at the Hilton Garden Inn Haymarket 9-2pm

October 19, 2024: Haymarket Day Downtown Haymarket, 10-4PM

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram to stay up to date on Town happenings!

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